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ABSTRACT

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Executive Summary

Over the next ten years the Department of Defence will acquire many new platform training simulators that will support distributed team training, otherwise known as network-enabled training simulators. This form of training is made possible through the use of distributed simulation standards. It is necessary to ensure that new simulators comply to the relevant distributed simulation standards during acceptance testing. However, at present there is no uniform procedure for acceptance testing of network-enabled simulators.

This report presents an acceptance testing procedure that is based on the authors' prior experience with training simulator testing. It introduces distributed simulation concepts in relation to platform training simulators. The acceptance testing procedure, which consists of planning, test activity and documentation stages, is described. Test cases for the Distributed Interactive Simulation (DIS) standard are provided, and test equipment and known ambiguities with the DIS protocol are also discussed.

The procedure presented in this report will facilitate acceptance and interoperability testing conducted under the NAV 04/026 "Air Maritime Team Training" task. Present year-one milestones include testing of, the AP-3C Advanced Flight Simulator; FFG Upgrade Team Trainer; FFG-UP On Board Training System; and Super Seasprite simulator. Whilst test cases are provided for the DIS standard, the procedure is suitable for other distributed simulation standards, such as the High Level Architecture.

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Glossary of Acronyms

ADGESIM	Air Defence Ground Environment Simulator
ADSL	Advanced Distributed Simulation Laboratory
AEW&C	Airborne Early Warning & Control
ALSP	Aggregate Level Simulation Protocol
AM	Amplitude Modulation
AOD	Air Operations Division
ATM	Asynchronous Transfer Mode
BFTT	Battle Force Tactical Training (United States Navy)
CGF	Computer Generated Forces
COTS	Commercial-off-the-Shelf
CReaMS	Coalition Readiness Management System
CVSD	Continuously Variable Slope Delta
dBmW	Decibels referenced to one milliwatt
DIS	Distributed Interactive Simulation
DTS	DIS Test Suite
EEPDU	Electromagnetic Emission Protocol Data Unit
ERP	Effective Radiated Power
ESPDU	Entity State Protocol Data Unit
EW	Electronic Warfare
FM	Frequency Modulation
HACTS	Hornet Aircrew Training System
HLA	High Level Architecture
HMI	Human Machine Interface
ICMP	Internet Control Message Protocol
IEEE	Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers
IFF	Identification Friend or Foe
IFFPDU	Identification Friend or Foe Protocol Data Unit
IP	Internet Protocol
ISO	International Standards Organisation
JOANNE	JOint Air Navy Networking Environment
N/A	Not Applicable
NIC	Network Interface Card
NTP	Network Time Protocol
OBTS	On-board Training System
OMS	Operational Mission Simulator
OSI	Open Systems Interconnection
PDU	Protocol Data Unit
PRF	Pulse repetition frequency
RPM	Revolutions Per Minute
RPR-FOM	Real-time Platform Reference Federation Object Model
RXPDU	Receiver Protocol Data Unit
SIMNET	SIMulator NETworking
SISO	Simulation Interoperability Standards Organisation
SISO-EBV	Simulation Interoperability Standards Organisation Enumerations and Bit Encoded Values
STRICOM	Simulation TRaining and Instrumentation COMmand (United States Army)
TENA	Test and training ENabling Architecture
TXPDU	Transmitter Protocol Data Unit
UAPDU	Underwater Acoustic Protocol Data Unit
UDP	User Datagram Protocol
USN	United States Navy
UTC	Coordinated Universal Time

1. Introduction

Acceptance testing is a necessary stage in any complex procurement, as it determines whether the supplier has satisfied the requirements of the contract [1]. Over the next ten years the Department of Defence will acquire many new platform training simulators that will support distributed team training, otherwise known as network-enabled training simulators. For distributed team training to be reliable and cost effective, and therefore embraced by the user, simulators must be network interoperable. Interoperability is ensured by thoroughly testing simulators against the relevant distributed simulation standards. However, at present there is no uniform acceptance testing procedure.

A majority of the new platform training simulators will support the Distributed Interactive Simulation (DIS) standard. These include the AP-3C Advanced Flight Simulator, Airborne Early Warning & Control (AEW&C) Operational Mission Simulator (OMS), C-130H and C-130J flight simulators, Armed Reconnaissance Helicopter (ARH) simulator, Super Seasprite simulator, and FFG Upgrade Project Onboard Training System (OBTS) and team trainer. Several simulators supporting High Level Architecture (HLA) will be delivered in the future, including the F/A-18 Hornet Aircrew Training System (HACTS).

Whilst all existing network-enabled training simulators, including the RAAF AP-3C OMS, Air Defence Ground Environment Simulator (ADGESIM), and RAN FFG and ANZAC operations room team trainers, have supported the DIS standard, the requirements specification and acceptance testing procedures have varied. As a result some simulators have a lesser technical ability to participate in distributed training exercises than others, due both to requirements oversight, varying model resolution, and defects present in the delivered product. To reduce this risk for new simulators, AOD has published several reports to advise projects, at the requirements specification stage, on the minimum requirements for interoperability and issues relating to network interoperability [2-4].

The intention of this report is to inform project staff and engineers, involved in the development and execution of acceptance testing, on the need for extensive testing. This is accomplished through dissemination of distributed simulation concepts, and specification of a recommended acceptance testing procedure and test cases for the DIS standard. The test cases could be adapted to the other distributed simulation standards, such as HLA, if the need were to arise.

The procedure presented in this report is based on prior testing work performed by task NAV 01/196, "JOint Air Navy Network Environment (JOANNE)", and will serve as a template for future testing work under task NAV 04/026, "Air Maritime Team Training". Ideally, it will address the current lack of a uniform acceptance testing procedure for network-enabled training simulators.

2. Distributed Team Training Definitions

This section defines distributed simulation and interoperability concepts relevant to platform training simulators. These definitions are also applicable to real-time constructive simulations; however testing of such simulations is not the focus of this report.

2.1 Platform Training Simulator

The term ‘platform training simulator’ is employed by AOD to describe a human-in-the loop training simulator that models the virtual battlespace at the tactical level in real-time. Platforms, otherwise known as combat units, and tracked weapons are referred to as entities within the simulation. Whilst there are no set rules for simulator design, a generic platform training simulator normally consists of five components, that are physical dispersed throughout the training facility:

- *Trainer.* The component manned by the trainee (or trainees), for example operator consoles, cockpit, operations room, or bridge. The platform that the trainer represents is referred to as the ownship¹, and is referred to as the “ownship entity” within the simulation.
- *Control station.* The component used to configure the simulator and control the execution of a training exercise. Standard functions include defining the reference point (or game centre), starting and stopping the exercise, and manually repositioning the ownship.
- *Instructor/Asset station(s).* The component that manages additional entities within the exercise, such as those representing the red force. Traditionally these stations have been manned by instructors and the additional entities manually driven. However, there is a move to reduce manning requirements through the use of intelligent agent technology. The instructor station may also incorporate functionality of the control station or debrief components.
- *Debrief.* The component that provides performance feedback to the trainee (or trainees) following the execution of an exercise.
- *Simulation Computer.* The component that performs platform, sensor and emitter modelling, and display rendering calculations.

The traditional approach to simulator design has been to interconnect the various components using a proprietary communications protocol, with an additional *distributed simulation interface* component provided to network the simulator to other training simulators. A recent approach has been to use distributed simulation for internal simulator communications [5]. This can reduce the engineering effort required to both build and maintain the simulator, as there is a large market of commercial off-the-shelf distributed simulation products, and an increasing number of experienced engineers. An example of each approach is shown in Figure 1.

¹ Variations include, ownairship, ownhelo and owntank. For consistency, ownship is used throughout this report.

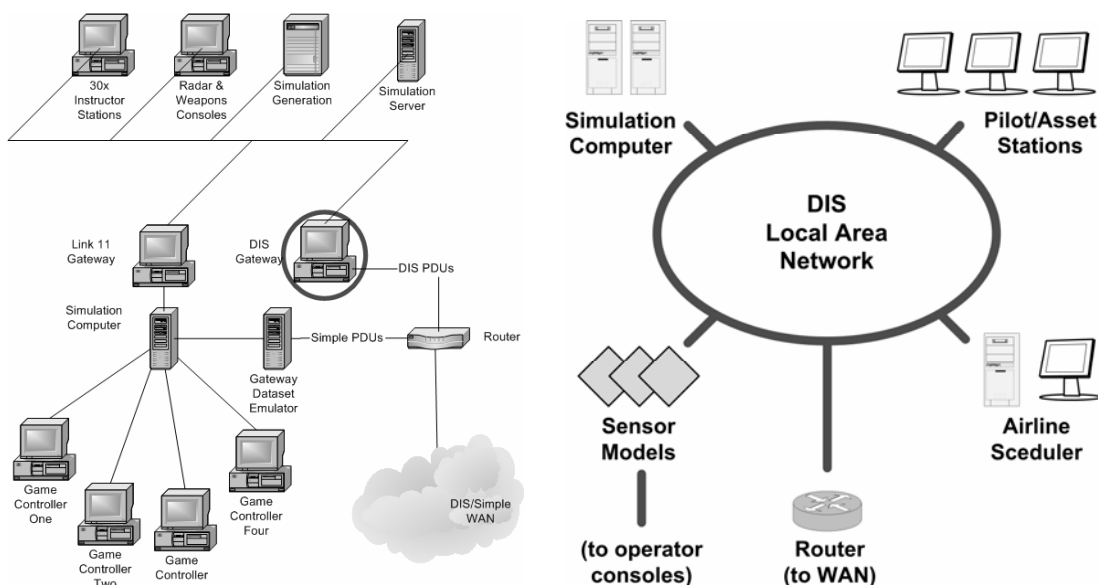


Figure 1: System block diagram of the RAN FFG Integrated Team Training Facility on the left (reproduced from [6]), and RAAF ADGESIM on the right

2.2 Distributed Simulation

In the context of platform training simulators, distributed simulation is the provision of a shared virtual battlespace, in which entities can interact. Information representing the virtual battlespace is known as “ground truth” and is exchanged over a data communications network. This information is perceived independently by each simulator.

The way in which a simulator internally models the virtual battlespace is called the *internal model*. The internal model is often different for each training simulator, for example one simulator may consider the earth’s surface to be a flat two-dimensional space, whilst another may model it as an ellipsoid. The internal model is a direct result of the simulator’s functional requirements and resulting engineering design decisions. To conduct distributed training, a standard model is required across all simulators on the network. Rather than forcing all simulators to behave in the same manner, a secondary model, known as the *network model*, is used.

Models, be they internal or network, are composed of objects and/or interactions². An object describes information that is persistent for some duration of the simulation, for example, the visual signature of a weapon. An interaction describes an instantaneous event, for example, the detonation of a weapon. Objects and interactions are parameterised by field values.

² Whilst recent distributed simulation standards boast additional modelling features, such as object inheritance, object composition and method invocation, information is effectively described through interactions and objects.

It is important to realise that the network model is purely a conceptual representation of the virtual battlespace, and does not define how objects and interactions are exchanged between simulators. The exchange process is instead defined by the *network protocol*, also known as the messaging or wire protocol. The network protocol often leverages existing *network transport* technologies, such as Internet Protocol (IP) or Asynchronous Transfer Mode (ATM).

Established distributed simulation standards, including SIMulator NETworking (SIMNET), Distributed Interactive Simulation (DIS) and the Aggregate Level Simulation Protocol (ALSP)³ define a baseline network model and protocol. More recent standards, including HLA and the Test and training ENabling Architecture (TENA), leave the definition of the network model and protocol open as an engineering design decision. These design decisions, if not appreciated, can lead to non-interoperability, and are discussed further in section 2.4.

Simulation model terminology varies between each distributed simulation standard, and is listed for comparison in Table 1, along with the terminology adopted by this report.

Table 1: Distributed simulation model terminology

Adopted Term	DIS	TENA	ALSP and HLA
<i>Interaction</i>	Protocol Data Unit	Message	Interaction
<i>Object</i>	Protocol Data Unit with heartbeat	Stateful Distributed Object	Object
<i>Field</i>	Field	Attribute	Attribute (objects) Parameter (interactions)

2.3 Distributed Simulation Interface

The distributed simulation interface component of a network enabled training simulator performs two tasks. The first is *translation*, where information represented by the internal model is translated into a network model representation, and vice-versa. Information is often discarded or augmented during the translation process; coordinate conversion, for example, is almost always required. The second task is *exchange*, where information represented by the network model is marshalled⁴ and sent to other hosts, and conversely received and un-marshalled. The conceptual layers of a generic distributed simulation interface are shown in Table 2 for DIS, TENA, HLA and the International Standards Organisation Open Systems Interconnection (ISO/OSI) network model [7].

Objects and interactions generated by the simulator flow down through the layers, whereas objects and interactions generated by remote simulators flow up through the layers. The former is referred to as sending, and the latter as receiving. When the distributed simulation interface is not in use, the simulator is said to be operating in stand-alone mode.

³ The primary user of ALSP, the US Army sponsored Joint Training Confederation, maintains a network model standard.

⁴ Marshalling, also known as serialisation, is the process of encoding data into an architecture-independent format such that it is suitable for transmission over a network.

Table 2: The conceptual layers and tasks of a distributed simulation interface.

Layer	DIS	TENA	HLA	ISO/OSI
<i>Internal Model</i>	Internal model	Internal model	Defined by 'Simulation Object Model'	7- Application
<div> <div>↓</div> <div>Translation</div> <div>↓</div> </div>				
<i>Network Model</i>	PDU types	Defined by 'Local Range Object Model'	Defined by 'Federation Object Model'	7- Application
<div> <div>↓</div> <div>Exchange</div> <div>↓</div> </div>				
<i>Network Protocol</i>	Byte ordering, Data structures, Heartbeats, Timeouts	Defined by 'TENA Middleware'	Defined by 'Run Time Infrastructure'	6- Presentation
				5- Session
<i>Network Transport</i>	UDP/IP	Typically IP	Typically IP	4- Transport
				3- Network
				2- Data Link
				1- Physical

2.4 Interoperability

Interoperability is defined as the ability of two or more systems or components to exchange information, and to make appropriate use of that information [8]. During the development of DIS and HLA, simulator interoperability was decomposed into three distinct levels: compliant, interoperable and compatible [9, 10].

1. *Compliant*. A simulator is considered to be compliant if the distributed simulation interface is implemented in accordance with the relevant standards. This is achieved at the acceptance testing stage, by ensuring that the translation and exchange tasks are performed correctly. Compliance can be further decomposed into structural and syntactic compliance (relating to the network protocol), and semantic compliance (relating to the network model).
2. *Interoperable*. Two or more simulators are considered to be interoperable if they can participate in a distributed training exercise. This is achieved at the requirements specification stage, by ensuring that each simulator is built to equivalent network model and network protocol standards. Design decisions relating to the choice of network model and protocol should be reviewed thoroughly, as these directly influence this level of interoperability.
3. *Compatible*. Two or more simulators are considered to be compatible if they can participate in a distributed training exercise and achieve training objectives. This is achieved at the training needs analysis stage by ensuring that the capabilities and performance of each simulator are sufficient to meet training objectives. The challenge for Defence is to ensure that adequate training needs analyses are performed in relation to distributed team training. The expression "fair fight" is frequently used to describe compatibility.

These definitions demonstrate that a compliant simulator will not necessarily be interoperable with other compliant simulators, and likewise, that just because two or more simulators are interoperable, they are not necessarily compatible for distributed team training. The three levels are applicable to other distributed simulation standards.

2.5 Acceptance Testing

The objective of acceptance testing is to establish that the supplier has satisfied the requirements of the contract, therefore mitigating the risk of defects or other inadequacies throughout the project's operational lifetime. It occurs prior to ownership of the project deliverable being handed over to the Commonwealth, and is conducted in the intended operational environment (the training facility), as opposed to the supplier's development environment. Ideally, few defects should be identified at the time of acceptance, as modern software engineering practices encourage testing to be conducted throughout the product development cycle [11]. Unfortunately such practices are not always adopted, or if adopted, are later discarded in the rush to meet delivery schedules.

Thorough testing of a simulator's distributed simulation interface is required for three reasons. Firstly, distributed simulation protocols are often intolerant to implementation faults; one incorrectly set field (or data bit) may be sufficient to prevent distributed team training, or lessen its effectiveness. Secondly, distributed simulation standards are often ambiguous and incomplete to some degree, meaning that two standards compliant simulators may be non-interoperable due to the suppliers forming different interpretations of the standard's intent. Finally, the defects are seldom apparent until the distributed simulation interface is used in anger. The cost of resolving defects at short notice for a training exercise is often prohibitive.

Ideally, acceptance testing of the distributed simulation interface should be performed in pursuit of interoperability with other training simulators, not compliance with the supplier's interpretation of the standard. Procurement contracts should enable the Commonwealth to invoke an independent third party during acceptance testing of the distributed simulation interface. Such a third party would be tasked to review acceptance test plans and/or carry out independent testing on behalf of the Commonwealth.

3. Acceptance Testing Procedure

Whilst there is much literature available on the subject of software and systems testing, a majority of it is written from the perspective of the supplier, not the customer. The time and resources allocated to acceptance testing are often limited; therefore the procedure needs to be efficient, repeatable and authoritative. The remainder of this section details the recommended acceptance testing procedure, which consists of three stages: planning, the test activity, and documentation.

3.1 Planning

Planning identifies the aspects of the simulator to be tested, the level of manning required to operate the trainer and/or instructor stations, and the anticipated duration of testing. Often a

simple approach is taken, where testing of all functionality related to the distributed simulation interface is proposed. As in the planning for a distributed training exercise, agreement must be reached on data, including platform types and the location within the virtual battlespace whereby testing will take place. Deployment and set-up of the test equipment, including data classification and network media compatibility, must also be considered.

Given that the distributed simulation interface shares connectivity with other components of the simulator, it is desirable to perform distributed simulation tests following preliminary acceptance of the stand-alone simulator. Otherwise, the results of testing may be influenced by defects present in the stand-alone simulator.

3.2 Test Activity

The test activity occurs at the training facility and often spans several days, depending on the amount of testing proposed in the planning stage. The black box testing methodology, which evaluates the functionality or performance of the system irrespective of internal implementation details, is employed. Figure 2 shows the black box view of a simulator, where the exposed interfaces are the Human Machine Interface (HMI) and Network Interface Card (NIC). The functional requirements are examined, by stimulating the black box with input actions and witnessing the resulting output.

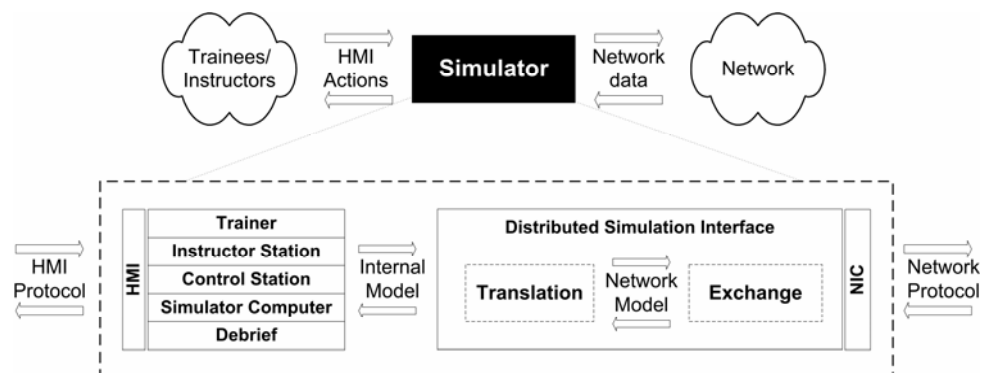


Figure 2: Black box view of a generic training simulator; the components are not shown to any scale

The *test case* is a fundamental concept in testing, which identifies the expected output from a specific input. A test case is considered to pass if the output witnessed during the test execution matches the expected output, or is within the permitted tolerance range. The development of test cases is described in section 4. Test cases are classified by the interface from which the expected output is generated:

- *Configuration testing* verifies that the simulator can be configured appropriately for a distributed training exercise. Existing distributed simulation standards do not define minimum requirements for simulator configuration.
- *Send testing* verifies that network data sent by the simulator complies with the relevant simulation standards. The input actions for send tests normally relate to the HMI.

- *Receive testing* verifies that the simulator responds correctly to network data generated by remote simulators. The input actions for receive tests normally relate to the NIC.

It is desirable to perform testing in the order listed above as this ensures that a passive analysis of the simulator's capabilities is performed prior to stimulating it with network data. This is informally known as the "crawl-walk-run" approach.

Certain test cases, such as dead reckoning accuracy tests, require detailed analysis of the witnessed output, and are best performed following the test activity (for example, in a laboratory environment) to make more efficient use of time with the simulator. To facilitate this, relevant HMI actions and network data sent and received by the NIC are recorded in a test log, which is a combination of written notes and data files, where log entries are time stamped to enable correlation of events.

3.3 Documentation

Following a test activity, a document shall be produced that details the results of testing. The report can be styled as either: a formal report that introduces the simulator and describes the outcomes of the test activity, or a compilation of individual incident reports, where each cites the outcome of a specific test case, and is typically no more than a page.

Regardless of the style used, the result of each test case should be highlighted by severity, as shown below. Where a test case has failed, the potential impact on distributed training exercises should be explored, and the input action and witnessed output noted, to aid the supplier in resolving the fault. Ultimately the report should indicate whether the simulator is compliant, and if it is not compliant, make recommendations for change. If significant faults are identified, the testing activity should be repeated to ensure that the supplier makes appropriate corrections.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FAULT. Has potential to prevent interoperability with another simulator. Resolution is advised. • ISSUE. Does not comply with the standard, or lacks some functionality. However this is unlikely to prevent interoperability with another simulator. Resolution is desirable. • ACTION. The test data was insufficient to draw a firm conclusion. Further investigation is advised. |
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4. Test Case Development

Test cases serve to demonstrate the implementation of individual distributed simulation requirements. There are several types of requirements for distributed simulation, as shown in Table 3. As an example, a network model requirement may stipulate "simulation of Identification Friend or Foe (IFF) transponder Mode 3/A". Each requirement type differs in terms of complexity, test case development methodology and the equipment suitable to facilitate test execution.

Network transport and hardware requirements are normally tested using a small number of test cases, for example, to demonstrate Internet Control Message Protocol (ICMP) ping replies, network address and port configuration, and hardware compatibility with other network devices, such as switches, hubs and routers.

For each network protocol requirement, test cases are developed to demonstrate exchange of data, for example, packet heartbeat intervals, byte ordering and data structure placement. Because the network protocol is often dependant on the network model, these tests are carried out in parallel with network model tests. However, for some distributed simulation standards, it is possible to independently test the network protocol implementation [12].

For each network model requirement, the related objects and interactions are identified, and test cases written for relevant permutations of the field values, with respect to send and receive testing. For example, the IFF requirement stated above would be evaluated with at least four test cases, in order to demonstrate sending and receiving of Mode 3/a when the transponder is enabled and disabled. If the requirement stipulates configurable data, such as platform and system enumerations, additional test cases are written to demonstrate re-configuration of the data.

Table 3: Distributed simulation requirements

Requirement	Testing approach	Suitable test equipment
Network hardware	Verify that hardware is installed and functioning	Another network device
Network transport	Examine transport protocol implementation	Transport protocol manipulation utilities
Network protocol	Examine network model and network protocol implementation	Object and interaction generation and field instrumentation equipment
Network model → Entities → Tactical communications		Entity generation and battlespace visualisation tools Simulated radio transceivers
Training → Pre-recorded	Playback pre-recorded scenario work-up log files from other training simulators	Log file playback software
→ Manned	Conduct distributed training exercise	Scenario generator or another training simulator

Training requirements are evaluated by demonstrating use of the simulator under anticipated operational conditions, for example, the execution of a standard training scenario or loading of the system with a prescribed number of entities. Test cases may also address relevant operator manuals and maintenance training packages, although this has been outside the scope of testing previously undertaken by the authors.

A standard test case specification format was developed, based on existing test documentation standards [13], and is detailed in the remainder of this section. Related tests cases are grouped into tables. The columns are described below, with an example for configuration, send and receive testing shown in Tables 4, 5 and 6 respectively.

- 1) The *ID* column indicates the test classification, and test number. Test classes include:
 - *Configuration testing (C)*
 - *Send testing (S)*
 - *Receive testing (R)*
- 2) The *E* column indicates execution requirements:
 - *Subsequent (S)*: the test case shall be applied to all subsequent test cases in the group when the input action text holds true. For such test cases the input action is enclosed in brackets.
 - *Mandatory (M)*: the test case shall be executed, as it exercises critical functionality, and/or subsequent tests cases assume the input action to be executed.
 - *Empty*: the test engineer may decide whether to execute the test, as it may be inappropriate for the simulator.
- 3) The *C* column indicates the simulator component(s) to which the input action typically applies, and includes:
 - *Trainer (T)*
 - *Control station (C)*
 - *Instructor/Asset station (I)*
 - *Simulator Computer (S)*
 - *External (X)*: Any external device connected to the distributed simulation interface, including network devices, remote simulators and test equipment.
- 4) The *Test Input* column describes the input action in terms of network model information sent to the simulator's NIC, or in terms of actions performed using the HMI.
- 5) The *Expected Output* column describes the output, in terms of protocol data sent by the simulator's NIC, or in terms of output rendered by the HMI (such as text, graphics or sounds). Where this column indicates *N/A*, the output is to be ignored. Justification of the expected output is provided by referencing the relevant distributed simulation standards or interpretations.
- 6) The *P* column indicates the pass/fail criteria, and is used to determine the significance of a test pass or failure:
 - *Requirement (R)*: the test case demonstrates compliance or interoperability with other simulators and therefore must be satisfied.
 - *Desirable (D)*: the test case demonstrates a feature that is believed to be beneficial to the operation of the simulator, and therefore should be satisfied.
 - *Empty*, where the expected output is not to be evaluated.

Table 4: Example of the test case specification format for configuration testing

ID	E	C	Test Input	Expected Output	P
C-1.1	M	S	Confirm presence of NIC.	NIC is present	R
C-1.1	M	S	Send an Internet Control Message Protocol (ICMP) ping to NIC.	An ICMP reply is received.	D

Table 5: Example of the test case specification format for send testing

ID	E	C	Test Input (HMI)	Expected Output (NIC)	P
S-1.0	S	C	(any IFF object)	<i>System Active</i> is set to 'True'	R
S-1.1	M	T	Activate IFF Mode Charlie.	IFF object is updated: i. <i>Mode Charlie</i> is set to 'On'	R

Table 6: Example of the test case specification format for receive testing

ID	E	C	Test Input (NIC)	Expected Output (HMI)	P
R-1.0	M	X	Create a test entity within IFF interrogation range of ownship.	N/A	-
R-1.1	M	X	Activate the IFF transponder i. Set <i>System Active</i> to 'True' ii. Set <i>Mode Charlie</i> to 'On'	Mode Charlie is rendered.	R

For brevity, network model fields are highlighted in italics, bitfields are underlined, and enumerated value names are wrapped in single quotes. Test cases may request the test engineer to take note of information witnessed, such as available configuration options, for recording into the test log.

5. Distributed Interactive Simulation Acceptance Testing

The DIS application protocol is defined by the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers (IEEE) standards 1278.1-1995 and 1278.1A-1998 [14, 15], and supported by the Simulation Interoperability Standards Organization (SISO), which maintains an enumerations and bit encoded values document (the SISO-EBV) [16]. The capabilities of DIS, and potential benefits for training, have been reported previously by AOD [17-19].

The DIS *network model* describes ground truth information for real-time platform simulations. An equivalent model is employed by the HLA Real-time Platform Reference Federation Object Model (RPR-FOM). Each simulator is responsible for sending objects that describe the position, appearance and emissions originating from entities under its control. Simulators may also send interactions when collisions are detected, or weapons are fired or detonated. Simulators receive these objects and interactions and use them to stimulate sensor systems (such as infrared, Electronic Warfare (EW), sonar or radio) and visualisation systems (such as an out of the window display) within the trainer.

The DIS *network protocol* employs formatted messages, called Protocol Data Units (PDUs), to describe platform kinematics, electromagnetic and acoustic emitters, radio communications and so on. PDUs are sent to other simulators over a local or wide area network. Whilst DIS supports reliable and best effort Internet Protocol (IP) transports, normally broadcast User Datagram Protocol (UDP) is used. Interactions are exchanged by sending individual PDUs, whereas objects are exchanged by sending PDUs at a regular interval (referred to as the

heartbeat interval), or when the field values have exceeded a pre-determined threshold. The lifecycle of an object is depicted in Figure 3.

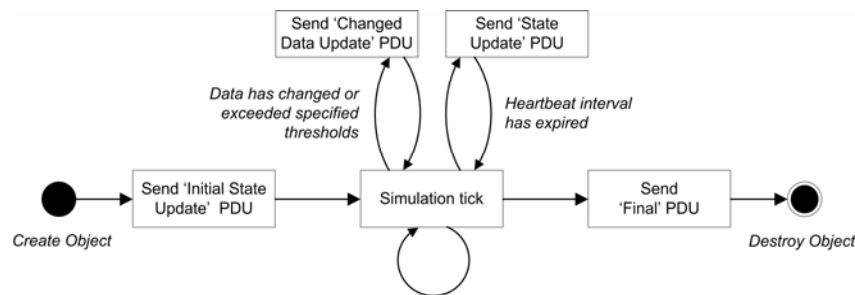


Figure 3: Object lifecycle from the perspective of the sending simulator

The minimum DIS requirements to achieve distributed team training in the Air and Maritime domain, namely the PDU types, have been identified by studying existing simulator implementations and those presently under development [3]. The test cases presented in Appendices A, B and C attempt to test all functionality offered by these PDU types. Therefore, not all of the test cases will be appropriate for all simulators, for example, not all simulators model underwater acoustic emitters.

The latest revision of the DIS application protocols standard was published in 1998. Under IEEE policy, the standard must be reaffirmed, revised or withdrawn every five years. Whilst it was reaffirmed in December 2002, the many ambiguities which still exist within the standard are a contributing factor to interoperability problems. A SISO study group, initiated by industry and US Department of Defense users, was formed in 2003, to document problems within the current standard and draft appropriate clarifications [20]. It has since transformed into a Product Development Group (PDG), with a charter to develop a revised IEEE 1278.1-200X standard [21]. Since the publication of a revised DIS standard is unlikely to occur before FY2005/06, the remainder of this section details the standard interpretations adopted by the JOANNE initiative. These interpretations have been contributed to the SISO DIS PDG, and AOD will push for their inclusion in a revised IEEE standard.

5.1 Common Problems

Each entity within a simulation exercise is identified by an Entity ID, consisting of *Site*, *Host* and *Number* fields, which is often written as *site:host:number*. All objects and interactions are associated with an Entity ID. The site field indicates the training establishment, host indicates the simulator, and number indicates a specific entity generated by the simulator. As there is no governing body or central computer to allocate Entity IDs, it is necessary to ensure that simulators are not configured with conflicting *Site* and *Host* numbers. To prevent this from occurring, the JOANNE initiative has allocated site numbers for existing ADF training facilities, relevant platforms, and research establishments [19].

The Entity State PDU (ESPDU) describes the fundamental characteristics of an entity, including position, velocity and type, where type is a seven digit enumeration (hereafter referred to as the entity enumeration) that identifies the specific platform or weapon system,

for example, 'HMAS SYDNEY' or 'RIM-7H SEA SPARROW'. Additional objects are used to describe emission characteristics in greater detail.

Where the information described by the objects or interactions is insufficient to stimulate a simulator's sensor suite, it is necessary for the simulator to maintain a local database of supplemental information. For example, DIS does not model the above-surface sound generated by a platform, therefore simulators that reproduce such sounds must maintain a local database of sounds. The entity enumeration is often used as a database lookup key, although some PDU types also provide a field for indicating the database lookup key. To conduct a training exercise, the database for each simulator must be populated with information pertaining to the platforms present in the exercise.

The number of entities a simulator can generate, and the number of remote entities it can render, vary for each simulator. Whilst this is primarily a compatibility issue, rather than one of compliance or interoperability, it is recommended that testing be conducted for at least 250 entities. This figure is based on the 2003 Coalition Readiness Management System (CReaMS) exercise, where approximately 100 entities were generated by two training facilities and one live asset (US destroyer). Future CReaMS scenarios are expected to involve additional live assets (RAN and US ships) and larger entity counts.

5.2 Protocol Data Unit Header

All PDUs include a common header structure that identifies the DIS version, PDU type, exercise number and timestamp.

The standard does not require simulators to support multiple versions of DIS. For example, a simulator may send and receive version 6 PDUs, but discard version 5 PDUs. Problems arising from version interoperability can be overcome using version translation equipment, however, it is recommended that simulators send DIS version 6, and receive both versions 5 and 6.

PDU type numbers 129 through 255 are reserved for experimental modelling, and have been used by some simulators to exchange objects or interactions that are not defined in the standard. Whilst this is acceptable under the standard, it is important to ensure that the same experimental PDU type number is not used for different purposes. Appendix D lists known experimental PDU types.

The timestamp field indicates the minutes past the current hour. Simulators can be configured to operate in absolute or relative time, where absolute time indicates that the simulation clock is synchronised to Coordinated Universal Time (UTC), and relative time, that it is not. Absolute and relative time simulators can co-exist in the same exercise. It is recommended that simulators support both absolute and relative time, and provide a means to synchronise the clock to a Network Time Protocol (NTP) server.

The DIS protocol standard requires PDUs to be individually encapsulated in network transport data units (for example, each PDU is encapsulated in a UDP packet). Some DIS implementations provide an optional 'bundling' feature to improve network utilisation

efficiency, whereby multiple PDUs are encapsulated in each network transport data unit. It is necessary to ensure that this feature is documented, as bundled and non-bundled simulators are often non-interoperable. Note that although this feature is discussed in IEEE 1278.2, the requirements are not described adequately [22].

5.3 Entity State (Object)

The Entity State PDU describes the position, type, force orientation, appearance, and marking text (or call sign) of an entity.

Some simulators do not render the entity if the entity enumeration is not present within the simulator's database. It is recommended that when an unknown entity type is received, the closest equivalent database entry be used.

The standard defines eleven dead reckoning algorithms. It is recommended that simulators only send the first five algorithms, as those remaining are not widely supported. If an unsupported algorithm is received, it should be regarded as the 'Static' dead reckoning algorithm.

The SISO-EBV document defines three marking text character sets. It is recommended that only the 'ASCII' character set be sent, and that if an unknown character set is received, the marking text field be regarded as vacant. The marking text field may be used for representing callsigns or tail numbers.

The network model does not convey entity bounding dimensions, and therefore this information must be stored in a local database.

5.4 Collision

The Collision PDU describes the collision interaction between an entity and another entity, or between an entity and a terrain object. There are no known ambiguities within the standard, other than the need to store bounding dimension information (identified in section 5.3).

5.5 Fire and Detonation

The Fire and Detonation PDUs describe the fire and detonation of a tracked or untracked weapon. When tracked weapons are in transit, objects are sent to represent the weapon entity (namely Entity State and emissions).

The network model does not convey the amount of damage resulting from the detonation of a weapon, and therefore this information must be stored in a local database.

5.6 Electromagnetic Emissions (Object)

The Electromagnetic Emission PDU (EEPDU) describes the emission characteristics of radar and countermeasure equipment. It is used to stimulate electronic warfare support systems.

The EEPDU employs a hierarchical structure that describes zero or more emission systems, where each system describes zero or more beams. Each beam describes radio frequency emission parameters and (optionally) indicates the Entity IDs that the beam is tracking or jamming. As beams and systems are activated and deactivated, appropriate structures are added and removed. The sender assigns each system and beam a unique number such that they can be identified on receipt, regardless of structure placement. An example of beam deactivation is shown in Figure 4.

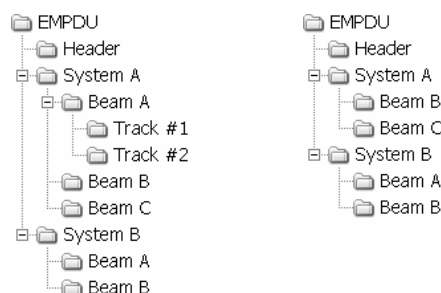


Figure 4: Two Electromagnetic Emission PDU structures are shown demonstrating the deactivation of Beam A within System A

Some simulators model radar systems that involve frequent activation and deactivation of beams. Rather than repeatedly adding and removing a beam structure from the PDU, some simulators set the beam *Effective Radiated Power* field to zero, to indicate deactivation (and non-zero to indicate activation). This convention is considered an acceptable use of the standard.

The standard does not define how the receiver should behave if a remote simulator stops sending EEPDUs. There are two possible interpretations:

- 1) Do not perform timeout processing, and continue to associate the most recently received update with the entity;
- 2) Perform timeout processing, whereupon at timeout, discard all emission information associated with the entity.

The second interpretation is recommended, using a timeout interval of 12 seconds (or 5 seconds multiplied by 2.4; the default EEPDU heartbeat interval multiplied by the IEEE heartbeat multiplier).

The standard does not define how the sender should behave when emissions or acoustics are to be no longer sent for an entity, for example when an entity's radar has been destroyed. There are three possible responses:

- 1) Continue to send updates with a zero number of emission systems whilst the associated entity exists within the simulation;
- 2) Send one (or more) final update with a zero number of emission/acoustic systems, and assume receiving simulators will perform timeout processing;
- 3) No longer send updates, and assume receiving simulators will perform timeout processing.

Both the first and second responses are suitable, however the second is recommended as it reduces unnecessary network bandwidth utilisation. The third response should be avoided, as simulators that do not perform timeout processing will continue to associate the most recently received update with the entity.

The standard does not define valid ranges for the *Beam Azimuth Sweep* and *Beam Elevation Sweep* fields. A half angle range of $[0, \pi)$ is assumed. The standard does not define valid ranges for the *Beam Sweep Sync* field. A range of $[0, 100)$ is assumed.

The standard does not define how to populate the *Jamming Mode Sequence* field. It is recommended that this field be set to zero, and be ignored on receipt.

The EEPDU does not convey side lobes, scan patterns and beam patterns. Each simulator must store this information in a local database, and use the *System Name* and/or *Beam Parameter Index* fields to look up appropriate database entries.

5.7 Identification, Friend or Foe (Object)

The Identification Friend or Foe PDU (IFFPDU) describes the state of IFF transponder and interrogator equipment. It comprises either one or two information layers, where the first conveys mode and code information, and the optional second layer describes electromagnetic emission characteristics.

The standard does not define how the receiver should behave if a remote simulator stops sending IFFPDUs. It is recommended that timeout processing be performed, using a timeout interval of 24 seconds (or 10 seconds multiplied by 2.4; the default IFFPDU heartbeat interval multiplied by the IEEE heartbeat multiplier).

The standard does not define valid ranges for the *Beam Azimuth Sweep* and *Beam Elevation Sweep* fields, which are present in Layer 2. A half angle range of $[0, \pi)$ is assumed. The standard does not define valid ranges for the *Beam Sweep Sync* field. A range of $[0, 100)$ is assumed.

5.8 Underwater Acoustic (Object)

The Underwater Acoustic PDU (UAPDU) describes shaft rotations and underwater emissions generated by sub-surface or surface platforms, or low flying aircraft.

It is structured similarly to the EEPDU, in that it defines zero or more emissions systems, where each system describes zero or more beams. As beams and systems are activated and deactivated, appropriate structures are added and removed. The sender assigns each system and beam a unique number such that they can be identified on receipt, regardless of structure placement within the PDU.

Like the EEPDU, the standard does not define how the sender should behave when underwater acoustic emissions are no longer required, for example, when an entity's active

sonar has been destroyed. The same interpretations described for the EEPDU can be applied to the UAPDU.

The standard defines a three minute UAPDU heartbeat interval. This results in a slow exercise start-up time, as a simulator joining a DIS exercise may have to wait three minutes before receiving the first UAPDU update. A decreased heartbeat interval, between 10 seconds and three minutes, is considered acceptable.

The standard does define how the receiver should behave if a remote simulator stops sending UAPDUs. It is recommended that a timeout processing be performed, using a timeout interval of 432 seconds (or 180 seconds multiplied by 2.4; the default UAPDU heartbeat interval multiplied by the IEEE heartbeat multiplier).

The UAPDU does not convey source power or beam patterns. Each simulator must store this information in a database, and use the *Acoustic Name* or/or *Emission Parameter Index* field to look-up on appropriate database entry.

5.9 Radio Communications Family

The PDU types described in the follow section relate to simulated radio communications, defined by the standard as the Radio Communication family.

5.9.1 Transmitter (Object)

The Transmitter PDU describes the operational state of radio communications transmitter (or transceiver) equipment, including frequency, power, modulation and transmit state.

The *Antenna Location* field indicates the location of the transmitter antenna, using a three dimensional vector with the origin at the centre of the earth. A non-standard, but widely adopted convention, is to set this field to all zeros ($x=y=z=0$) to instruct receivers not to apply radio frequency propagation effects to the signal. This convention is typically used by simulated radios that are not tightly coupled with the simulator, and are therefore unaware of the ownship's location (and hence the ownship's antenna location). However, not all receiver implementations support this convention, and accordingly will consider the signal to be out of range. It is recommended that ADF simulators support this convention.

The *Frequency* and *Bandwidth* fields describe the transmitter's centre frequency and half-power bandwidth (bandwidth between -3 dB points). Some poorly implemented simulators require the receiver to be tuned to the exact centre frequency of the transmitter. It is recommended that simulators do not implement an exact frequency match, as rounding errors, introduced during internal floating point to integer number conversions, may prevent this from occurring.

The modulation parameter fields (*Spread Spectrum*, *Major Modulation*, *Detail Modulation* and *System*) describe the type of signal modulation being transmitted (for example, AM and FM), and enable receiving simulators to apply appropriate propagation effects to the transmitted signal. Most simulators require the receiver to be tuned to the same modulation parameter

configuration as the transmitter, as this mimics real world behaviour. It is therefore necessary to ensure that all simulators support at least one common modulation parameter configuration. It is recommended that simulators support reception of at least the modulation parameter configurations listed in Table 7.

Table 7: List of recommended modulation parameters

Description	Spread Spectrum	Major Modulation	Detail Modulation	System
AM	All zeros	1 ('Amplitude')	2 ('AM')	1 ('Generic')
FM	All zeros	3 ('Angle')	1 ('FM')	1 ('Generic')
BFTT ⁵	All zeros	2	2	1 ('Generic')

The *Crypto System* and *Crypto Key ID* fields describe the encryption algorithm and a pseudo encryption key. The standard does not define the usage of these fields for transmitters that can be switched between plain and secure communication modes, and can therefore be interpreted one of two ways:

- 1) Set the *Crypto System* to zero to indicate plain, and non-zero to indicate secure.
- 2) Set the lower 15-bits of *Crypto Key ID* to zero to indicate plain, and non-zero to indicate secure.

To ensure interoperability with both interpretations, it is recommended that transmitters set either *Crypto System* or the lower 15-bits of *Crypto Key ID* fields to zero to indicate plain, and both to non-zero to indicate secure. It is recommended that receivers consider transmissions to be plain if either field is set to zero, or secure if otherwise.

The 16th bit of the *Crypto Key ID* describes the use of 'base band encryption' or 'diphase encryption.' The authors are unaware of any simulator implementation using this bit, and recommend it being sent as 'band base', and the value ignored on receipt.

5.9.2 Signal (Object)

The Signal PDU describes a stream of digitised data associated with a transmission. Whilst many data types, including voice and tactical data links, are supported, only voice is discussed below. A standard for tactical data link representation within the Signal PDU is currently under development, however this only addresses Link-16 simulation, not Link-11 [23].

Since there is a limit to the amount of digitised audio that can be stored in each Signal PDU, it is necessary to send multiple PDUs to convey an audio transmission. The standard requires simulators to support '8-bit mu-law' encoding at 8000 Hz, however it does not recommend the number of audio samples to be sent within each Signal PDU. The number of samples has an effect on the bit rate utilization and audio latency, as shown in Table 8. An examination of

⁵ The United States Navy (USN) Battle Force Tactical Training (BFTT) program uses a non-standard modulation parameter configuration.

several simulators has shown that sample values between 320 and 1024 are frequently used, and accordingly a value within this range is recommended.

Table 8: Effective audio latency and bandwidth utilisation for different number of samples (using '8-bit mu-law' encoding at 8000 Hz)

Number of Samples per Signal PDU	Effective Audio Latency ⁶	Effective UDP/IP Bandwidth Utilization
240	30 ms	80.00 kbps
320	40 ms	76.00 kbps
384	48 ms	74.00 kbps
480	60 ms	72.00 kbps
512	64 ms	71.50 kbps
824	103 ms	68.66 kbps
1024	128 ms	67.75 kbps
1440	180 ms	66.66 kbps

The '8-bit mu-law' encoding system provides a 2:1 audio compression ratio, resulting in 64 kbps per channel (excluding PDU and UDP/IP overheads). Better compression ratios are available by using more computationally expensive algorithms, however the standard does not require these to be implemented. It is desirable for simulators to also support Continuously Variable Slope Delta (CVSD) encoding, as this offers a 8:1 data compression ratio, resulting in 16 kbps per channel (excluding overheads).

5.9.3 Receiver (Object)

The Receiver PDU describes the operational state of radio receiver equipment, including tuned frequency and modulation. There are no known ambiguities within the standard.

5.10 Simulation Management Family

The simulation management family of PDUs enables simulators to be controlled remotely or to exchange information that is not supported by existing PDU types.

All simulation management PDUs include a *Receiving Simulator ID* field, enabling the PDUs to be directed to a specific entity. Special Entity ID values are reserved to indicate all, or no, entities generated by a specific simulator. A Simulation Management guidance document was drafted to accompany the IEEE 1278.1A standard, but was never formally published [24]. This document detailed an Entity ID addressing scheme that expands the existing special Entity ID values, as shown in Table 9. This addressing scheme has been employed by several ADF simulators, and it is recommended that new simulators support the addressing scheme.

⁶ The effective audio latency value is equivalent to the duration of audio stored within each Signal PDU. Actual audio latency may be greater, due to network and processing latencies.

Table 9: Simulation Management Entity ID addressing scheme

	Name	Entity ID	Intended recipient
Standard	Unique_Entity	SITE :HOST : NUM	Specified entity
	Unique_Host	SITE :HOST : 0	Specified host
	All_Entities_at_Host	SITE :HOST :65535	All entities generated by the specified host
Non-standard	All_Entities_at_Site	SITE :65535:65535	All entities generated from the specified site
	All_Entities_in_Exercise	65535:65535:65535	All entities within the exercise
	All_Hosts_at_Site	SITE :65535: 0	All hosts from the specified site
	All_Hosts_in_Exercise	65535:65535: 0	All hosts within the exercise
	All_Sites_in_Exercise	65535: 0: 0	All sites within the exercise
	Nobody	0: 0: 0	No sites, applications or entities

5.10.1 Stop/Freeze, Start/Resume and Acknowledge

Stop/Freeze and Start/Resume PDUs enable a coordinated beginning and conclusion of a simulation exercise. The PDUs instruct individual entities or simulators to enter or leave a frozen state. Simulators that receive Stop/Freeze or Start/Resume PDUs must respond with an Acknowledge PDU.

It is recommended that Start/Resume PDUs be not sent when a simulator is manually started or re-started, as this has the potential to disrupt the operation of other simulators already running on the network. Likewise, it is recommended that simulators do not send Stop/Freeze PDUs when the simulator is shutdown or re-started.

The standard does not define how a simulator should react when a Stop/Freeze or Start/Resume PDU is sent, but no Acknowledge PDU is received. It is recommended that a retry mechanism be employed, whereby if an acknowledgement is not received after an appropriate period of time, the Stop/Freeze or Start/Resume PDU is re-sent. Several retry attempts should be made before aborting, and a warning displayed to the operator.

Both PDUs indicate the future real-world time at which the simulation should be either stopped or started, such that Stop/Freeze and Start/Resume PDUs may be sent in advance of the desired stop or start event. The standard does not define how simulators that do not have a time synchronisation capability should behave. Whilst it is recommended that simulators be equipped with a time synchronisation capability, it is also recommended that those without this capability either react to Start/Stop and Start/Resume PDUs immediately on receipt, or not support these PDUs at all.

The *Frozen Behaviour* field within the Stop/Freeze PDU indicates the action the simulator should take upon receipt of the PDU. Whilst there are many permutations of the field value, as shown in Table 10, only the 'Stop' and 'Offline' behaviours are relevant to platform simulator training. The other behaviours may be useful for simulator testing and debugging.

Table 10: Permutations of the Frozen Behaviour field value

Frozen Behaviour bitfield			Behaviour name	Description of behaviour	Set bits in Final ESPDU Appearance
'Simulation Clock'	'Receive PDUs'	'Transmit PDUs'			
0	0	0	Stop	Halt simulation clock and stop sending and receiving PDUs.	'Frozen'
0	0	1	Blind Freeze	Halt simulation clock, stop receiving PDUs, but continue to send PDUs	N/A
0	1	0	Receive Only	Halt simulation clock, stop sending PDUs, but continue to receive PDUs	'Frozen'
0	1	1	Freeze	Halt simulation clock, but continue to send and receive PDUs	'Frozen'
1	0	0	Offline	Stop sending and receiving PDUs	'Deactivate'
1	0	1	Offline Receive	Stop receive PDUs	N/A
1	1	0	Offline Send	Stop sending PDUs	'Deactivate'
1	1	1	Ping	No change	N/A

5.10.2 Set Data and Comment PDU

The Set Data and Comment PDUs allow arbitrary data to be sent to other simulators, or to debriefing tools. The standard states that the Comment PDU is intended only for reporting “comments, error or test messages, or as a place holder in a sequentially stored exercise” and the guidance document recommends it not be employed “by entities for real time interactions” [14, 24]. However, the Comment PDU has been frequently used for real time interactions, and accordingly such usage is not considered a fault by the JOANNE initiative.

Arbitrary data types are identified using datum enumerations. It is recommended that any simulator specific datum enumerations be submitted to the SISO-EBV document editor, to prevent future datum conflicts.

6. Review of Test Equipment

Test equipment is necessary to conduct acceptance testing, as the information contained with the network protocol cannot be instrumented or generated by hand. Test equipment falls into three broad categories: loggers, analysers, and generators. Loggers facilitate the testing process, by recording network data to disk and/or replaying the data back to the simulator. Instrumentation tools decode the network data into human interpretable form, and are necessary for transmission testing. Generators enable the user to easily create objects and interactions and populate the fields, and are necessary for reception testing.

It is important that the testing equipment is itself compliant to standards, however this leads to the paradox of what equipment should be used to test the test equipment. It is therefore desirable to use equipment developed under good engineering practices (which can be inferred from the product’s history, quality and accompanied documentation), and from different vendors, to ensure that testing is not performed solely against one interpretation of

the distributed simulation standards. The tools currently employed by the JOANNE initiative for testing are listed below, along with a brief description each.

6.1 Tcpdump

Tcpdump⁷ is an open-source command-line based utility that intercepts data layer network packets and displays a summary for each packet to the screen, or records network packets to disk. The recording capabilities of Tcpdump are preferred over standard DIS loggers, because all network data, including UDP/IP headers, is captured, and the log file format is documented.

6.2 DIS Test Suite

The DIS Test Suite (DTS), developed by AcuSoft for the US Army's Simulation TRaining and Instrumentation COMmand (STRICOM), was intended as an all-in-one DIS compliance testing product. In separate evaluations conducted by DSTO and Computer Sciences Corporation Australia [25, 26], version 6 of the product was deemed suitable for Project SEA1412 Phase 2 acceptance testing, although it was found to lack support for IEEE 1278.1A PDU types and testing in the southern hemisphere. An upgrade was sought, however numerous shortcomings were identified in the revised product [27]. Difficulty in resolving these shortcomings initially motivated the development of this recommended acceptance testing procedure. The typical usage pattern of the DTS is shown in Figure 5.

The DTS consists of six components:

- *Controller*: maintains a database of test cases, and instructs the operator to perform specific input actions (such as to generate an entity) or to witness output on simulator display.
- *Logger*: records network protocol traffic (during send testing) and information witnessed by the user (during receive testing) to disk.
- *Analyser*: applies a set of test cases against data recorded by the logger. For each test case the report specifies a pass or fail value, and where applicable a failure rate.
- *Scanner*: displays the contents of a log file, in order to review or isolate faults.
- *Entity generator* and *3D stealth viewer*: tools that assist the user to carry out input actions and witness output.

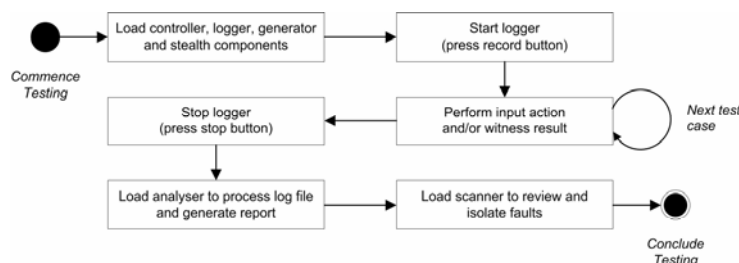


Figure 5: Typical usage procedure of the DTS

⁷ Tcpdump website: <http://www.tcpdump.org/>

6.3 PDU Generator and Maritime Entity Generator

The DIS PDU Generator and Maritime Entity Generator were developed by DSTO to assist Project SEA1412 Phase 2 acceptance testing [28, 29], and have since been used in other test activities. The PDU Generator presents a screen containing buttons for common PDU types, where pressing a button will result in a PDU being sent. The Maritime Entity Generator simulates a single surface platform, and provides controls for navigating the platform; firing weapons; and activating communications, IFF, radar and sonar equipment.

Both tools populate the bulk of PDU fields with fixed values, for example, the IFFPDU *System Type* field is always set to 'Mark X/XII/ATCRBS/Mode S Interrogator'. Therefore, whilst these tools are well suited for preliminary testing, they are inadequate when attempting to isolate the cause of faults to a particular field value.

6.4 Netdump

MÄK Technologies⁸ Netdump decodes IEEE 1278.1 and 1278.1A PDUs as they are received, displaying individual fields to the screen. The primary use of Netdump is to determine the value of a field. Basic filtering can be applied externally using Unix text filtering tools, such as 'grep'. Netdump is not a stand-alone product, and is included with the MÄK VR-Link Toolkit.

6.5 DisCommMonitor

EMDee Technology⁹ produces DIS and HLA radio communications toolkits for Microsoft Windows. The company offers a free tool that passively monitors the state of simulated radio equipment by displaying Transmitter and Signal PDU fields on the screen.

6.6 Stealth Viewer

Whilst not specifically intended for testing, 2D and 3D visualisations of the virtual battle space, and are used to subjectively evaluate the suitability of dead reckoning implementations.

⁸ MÄK Technologies website: <http://www.mak.com/>

⁹ EMDee Technology website: <http://www.emdee.com/>

7. Summary and Conclusion

This report has described distributed simulation concepts in relation to distributed team training, and a procedure for acceptance testing network-enabled training simulators. The report has detailed DIS test equipment and standard interpretations adopted by the JOANNE initiative, for commonly used PDU types identified in prior research. These interpretations have been contributed to the SISO DIS Product Development Group for potential inclusion into a revised IEEE standard. Test cases for these PDU types, forming the bulk of this report, are presented in the Appendices.

The procedures presented in this report will facilitate future analysis of training simulators testing conducted under the NAV 04/026 "Air Maritime Team Training" task, in particular the FFG Upgrade Project OBTS, AP-3C AFS and Super Seasprite simulator. If the need arises to test simulators supporting the HLA standard (for example the future F/A-18 HACTS), the existing DIS test cases could be adapted with minimal effort to test the RPR-FOM.

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Appendix A: Test Cases for DIS Configuration Testing

A.1. Network Interface Card Configuration

ID	E	C	Test Input	Expected Output	P
C-1.1	M	S	Verify presence of the simulator's DIS Network Interface Card (NIC). Record a description of the NIC in the test log.	NIC is present.	R
C-1.2	M	X	Physically connect the test equipment to the simulator's DIS NIC.	Media sense lights on the simulator's and/or test equipment's DIS NIC are active.	D
C-1.3	M	X	Configure the IP address of the test equipment to the same sub-network as simulator DIS network interface. Record the IP address and sub-network mask of simulator's DIS NIC in the test log.	N/A	-
C-1.4	M	X	Send an Internet Control Message Protocol (ICMP) ping to simulator's NIC.	An ICMP reply is received.	D

A.2. Distributed Simulation Interface Configuration

ID	E	C	Test Input	Expected Output	P
C-2.1	M	C	Can the UDP broadcast address be configured?	Yes	D
C-2.2	M	C	Can the 'entity/ground-truth' UDP broadcast port number be configured? Set the UDP broadcast port number to 3000.	Yes	D
C-2.3	M	C	Can the 'radio communications' UDP broadcast port number be configured? Set the UDP broadcast port number to 6993.	Yes	D
C-2.3a	M	C	Is PDU bundling supported? If so, disable the bundling feature.	N/A	D
C-2.4	M	C	Can the send <i>Protocol Version</i> be configured?	Yes	D

ID	E	C	Test Input	Expected Output	P
			Set the send <i>Protocol Version</i> to 6.		
C-2.5	M	C	Can the receive <i>Protocol Version</i> be configured? Are multiple versions supported? Enable reception of <i>Protocol Version</i> to 5 and 6.	Yes	D
C-2.6	M	C	Can the <i>Exercise ID</i> be configured? Set the <i>Exercise ID</i> to 1.	Yes	D
C-2.7	M	C	Can the <i>Site ID</i> and <i>Host ID</i> be configured? Set <i>Site ID</i> and <i>Host ID</i> to appropriate values [1].	Yes	D
C-2.8	-	C	a. Can the simulation clock be adjusted? b. Can the simulation clock be synchronised via a NTP server?	a. Yes b. Yes	D
C-2.9	-	C	Can the PDU types sent from or received by the simulator be individually enabled or disabled (filtered)?	Yes	D
C-2.10	-	C	Record the terrain coverage(s) supported by the simulator in the test log.	N/A	-
C-2.11	-	C	Can entity enumerations be configured? Enter the set of agreed entity enumerations, established in the planning stage.	Yes	D
C-2.12	-	C	If the simulator receives the Collision PDU: Can the bounding volumes of entity generated by remote simulators be configured?	Yes	D
C-2.13	-	C	If the simulator receives the Detonation PDU: Can damage producing levels for weapons launched by remote simulators be configured?	Yes	D
C-2.14	-	C	If the simulator sends or receives the EEPDU: a. Can electromagnetic emission parameters be configured? b. Can <i>System Name</i> and <i>Beam Parameter Index</i> be configured?	a. Yes b. Yes	D
C-2.15	-	C	If the simulator sends or receives the UAPDU: a. Can acoustic emission parameters be configured? b. Can <i>Acoustic Name</i> and <i>Emission Parameter Index</i> be configured?	a. Yes b. Yes	D
C-2.16	-	C	If the simulator sends or receives the TXPDU:	a. Yes	D

ID	E	C	Test Input	Expected Output	P
			<p>a. Can <i>Major Modulation</i> and <i>Detail Modulation</i> be configured? Record the combination of supported parameters in the test log.</p> <p>b. Can <i>Crypto System</i> and lower 15-bits of the <i>Crypto Key ID</i> be configured?</p> <p>Note: Configuration of electromagnetic and acoustic emissions, and radio communications, are performed throughout send and receive testing.</p>	<p>b. Yes</p>	

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Appendix B: Test Cases for DIS Send Testing

B.1. Protocol Data Unit Header

Tests S-0.1 through S-0.5 shall be applied to all PDUs sent by the simulator.

ID	E	C	Test Input (HMI)	Expected Output (NIC)	P
S-0.1	S	-	(any)	With the exception of DIS and ICMP protocol traffic, the simulator sends no other network traffic.	D
S-0.2	S	-	(any)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. <i>Protocol Version</i> corresponds to that implemented by the simulator. b. <i>Exercise ID</i> is set to one or the configured value. c. <i>Protocol Version</i> and <i>Exercise ID</i> are consistent throughout the simulation. d. <i>Protocol Family</i> corresponds to the family of the given PDU type [1]. e. <i>Length</i> is set to the bit length defined in the IEEE 1278.1 or IEEE 1278.1A standard for the given PDU type. f. <i>Timestamp</i> is proportional to real-world time [2]. g. If <i>Timestamp</i> is 'Absolute', the timestamp corresponds to the real world time [3]. h. If <i>Timestamp</i> is 'Relative', the timestamp corresponds to the internal simulation clock time of the simulator [4]. 	R
S-0.3	S	-	(any - Fire)	a. <i>Event ID</i> is incremented for each Fire PDU sent [5].	R
S-0.4	S	-	(any - Collision, Emission, IFF or Underwater Acoustic PDU)	a. <i>Event ID</i> is incremented for each Collision, Emission, IFF and Underwater Acoustic PDU sent [5].	D
S-0.5	S	-	(any - Simulation Management PDU, excluding the Comment PDU)	b. <i>Request ID</i> is incremented for each Simulation Management PDU sent, excluding the Comment PDU [6].	R

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2. IEEE 1278.1, section 5.2.31, Timestamp
3. IEEE 1278.1, section 5.2.31.1, Absolute Timestamp
4. IEEE 1278.1, section 5.2.31.2, Relative Timestamp

5. IEEE 1278.1, section 5.2.18, Event Identifier record
6. IEEE 1278.1, section 5.2.27, Request ID

B.2. Entity State PDU

ID	E	C	Test Input (HMI)	Expected Output (NIC)	P
S-1.0	S	-	(any – ESPDU)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. ESPDUs are sent at a five second heartbeat interval, or when an operational parameter changes, or the positional or angular dead reckoning thresholds are exceeded [1]. b. <i>Entity ID</i> is unique for each entity. Neither the <i>Site</i> nor <i>Host</i> field is set to zero or 65535. The <i>Number</i> field is not set to zero, 65534 or 65535 [2, 3]. c. <i>Force ID</i> is set to the appropriate force orientation of the entity, and is defined in SISO-EBV section 4.1 [2]. d. <i>Entity Type</i> corresponds to the platform being simulated, and is defined in SISO-EBV section 4.2 [2, 4]. e. <i>Alternative Entity Type</i> is identical to the <i>Entity Type</i> value, or set to all zeros [2, 4]. f. <i>Location, Orientation and Velocity</i> indicates the location, orientation and velocity of the entity rendered by the simulator [2, 5, 6]. g. The bits set in <i>Appearance</i> and <i>Capabilities</i> are appropriate for the platform being simulated, and are defined in SISO-EBV sections 4.3 and 4.6 respectively [2]. h. Unless the entity has been deactivated the <i>State</i> bit of <i>Appearance</i> is set to ‘Activated’ [1]. i. <i>Dead Reckoning Algorithm</i> is defined in IEEE 1278.1, annex B [2]. j. The dead-reckoned movement of the entity appears smooth and consistent when examined using a third-party 2D/3D visualisation product. Ensure that the entity is not displaced significantly at each state update. k. <i>Character Set</i> is set to ‘ASCII’ [interpretation]. l. For each articulation parameters record: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. <i>Parameter Type Designator</i> field is set to 0 to indicate 	R

ID	E	C	Test Input (HMI)	Expected Output (NIC)	P
				<p>an articulated part, or 1 to indicate an attached part station [7].</p> <p>ii. <i>Change Indicator</i> is incremented for each articulation parameter change [8].</p> <p>iii. <i>ID-Part Attached To</i> field is set to a unique number identifying the attached part station to which the articulation parameter is attached. The entity body is identified by part station #0, the first part station is identified by #1, the second by #2, and so on [8, 9].</p> <p>iv. If the record designates an articulated part, the <i>Parameter Type</i> value is defined in SISO-EBV section 4.7.2. The <i>Parameter Value</i> field is set to an appropriate value (e.g. periscope extension) using the metrics and data types described in IEEE 1278.1, annex A.2.1.4 [10].</p> <p>v. If the record designates an attached part station, the <i>Parameter Type</i> value is defined in SISO-EBV section 4.7.3. The <i>Parameter Value</i> field is set to an entity enumeration type that represents the store type (for example, "Pallets of fuel (JP8)") located at the attached part station [11].</p>	
S-1.1	M	T,C	<p>Create the ownship entity, facing north, and remain stationary for 15 seconds. Assign a name or text description to the ownship (if possible).</p> <p>Record the assigned name or text in the test log.</p>	<p>a. <i>Orientation</i> indicates a north heading.</p> <p>b. <i>Marking Text</i> indicates the name or description assigned to the ownship, or is set to all zeros [2].</p>	R
S-1.2	M	T	<p>Manoeuvre the ownship entity in a straight line at a constant velocity for 15 seconds.</p> <p>Record the velocity and heading in the test log.</p>	N/A	-
S-1.3	M	T	<p>Manoeuvre the ownship in a circular pattern at a constant velocity for 15 seconds.</p> <p>Record the velocity and turn direction in the test log.</p>	N/A	-

ID	E	C	Test Input (HMI)	Expected Output (NIC)	P
S-1.4	-	T,C	<p>Modify the ownship's damage or appearance state (if possible). For example, landing lights, cockpit lights, open canopy, or specify either a damaged or destroyed state.</p> <p>Record any selected damages or appearance states in the test log.</p>	a. Appropriate bits, defined in SISO-EBV, section 4.3, are set within <i>Appearance</i> to indicate the appearance state.	D
S-1.5	M	T,C	Delete or deactivate the ownship entity, such that it is no longer present in the simulation.	<p>a. The simulator sends an ESPDU with the <u>State</u> bit of <i>Appearance</i> set to 'Deactivated' [1].</p> <p>b. No further ESPDUs are sent for the ownship entity [1].</p>	R
Repeat	-	-	Repeat test for all four geodetic quadrants on the world.	N/A	-

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2. IEEE 1278.1, section 5.3.3.1, Entity State PDU
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4. IEEE 1278.1, section 5.2.16, Entity Type record
5. IEEE 1278.1, section 5.2.33, Vector record
6. IEEE 1278.1, section 5.2.17, Euler Angles record
7. SISO-EBV, section 4.7.1, Parameter Type Designator
8. IEEE 1278.1, section 5.2.5, Articulation Parameter record
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10. IEEE 1278.1, annex A.2.1.3, Parameter Type field
11. IEEE 1278.1, annex A.2.2, Attached parts

B.3. Collision PDU

B.3.1 Entity Collision

ID	E	C	Test Input (HMI)	Expected Output (NIC)	P
S-2.1.1	M	T,C	Create the ownship entity.	N/A	-
S-2.1.2	M	I	Create a target entity in the vicinity of the ownship.	N/A	-
S-2.1.	M	T	Manoeuvre the ownship entity such that it collides with the target entity, at a velocity greater than 0.1 metres per second (or greater than 0.25 knots). Record the outcome of the collision in the test log.	a. The simulator sends one Collision PDU [1]. b. <i>Issuing Entity ID</i> corresponds to the ownship entity ID [2]. c. <i>Colliding Entity ID</i> corresponds to the target entity ID [2]. d. <i>Collision Type</i> is defined in SISO-EBV section 10.1.1 [2]. e. <i>Mass</i> indicates the mass of the ownship entity (in kilograms), or is set to zero [2]. f. <i>Velocity</i> indicates the velocity vector of the ownship entity, or is set to all zeros [2, 3]. g. <i>Location wrt Colliding Entity</i> indicates the collision location rendered by the simulator, or is set to (0, 0, 0) [2, 3].	R

B.3.2 Terrain Collision

ID	E	C	Test Input (HMI)	Expected Output (NIC)	P
S-2.2.1	M	T,C	Create the ownship entity.	N/A	-
S-2.2.2	M	T	Manoeuvre the simulator entity such that it collides with the terrain, at a velocity greater than 0.1 metres per second (or greater than 0.25 knots). Record the outcome of the collision in the test log.	a. The simulator transmits one Collision PDU [1]. b. <i>Issuing Entity ID</i> corresponds to the ownship entity ID [2]. c. <i>Colliding Entity ID</i> is set to 0:0:0 [2]. d. <i>Collision Type</i> is defined in SISO-EBV section 10.1.1 [2]. e. <i>Mass</i> indicates the mass of the ownship entity (in kilograms), or is set to zero [2]. f. <i>Velocity</i> indicates to the velocity vector of the ownship entity, or is set to zero [2, 3]. g. <i>Location wrt Colliding Entity</i> indicates the collision location rendered by the simulator, or is set to (0, 0, 0) [2, 3].	R

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2. IEEE 1278.1, section 5.3.3.2, Collision PDU
3. IEEE 1278.1, section 5.2.33, Vector record

B.4. Fire and Detonation PDU

ID	E	C	Test Input (HMI)	Expected Output (NIC)	P
S-3.1	M	T,C	Create the ownship entity.	N/A	-
S-3.2	M	I	Create a target entity within fire solution range of the ownship.	N/A	-
S-3.3.0	M	T	<p>Fire a weapon at the target entity.</p> <p>Record the target and weapon type, including description, entity ID and enumeration, in the test log.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. One Fire PDU is sent [1]. b. <i>Firing Entity ID</i> corresponds to the ownship entity [2]. c. <i>Target Entity ID</i> corresponds to the target entity, or 0:0:0 if no target is specified [2]. d. If a tracked weapon is fired, <i>Munition ID</i> corresponds to the weapon entity [2]. e. If an untracked weapon is fired, <i>Munition ID</i> is set to 0:0:0 [2]. f. <i>Fire Mission Index</i> indicates an arbitrary mission number, or is set to zero [2]. g. <i>Location</i> indicates the weapon firing location rendered by the simulator [2, 3]. h. <i>Munition Type</i> is defined in SISO-EBV section 4.2.1.2, and indicates the weapon system fired. For tracked weapons, this must also correspond to the entity enumeration of the weapon entity [4]. i. <i>Warhead</i> is defined in the SISO-EBV section 5.1.1 [4]. j. <i>Fuse</i> is defined in SISO-EBV section 5.1.2 [4]. k. If only one round (or individual projectile) is fired, <i>Quantity</i> is set to one and <i>Rate</i> is set to zero [4, 5]. l. If multiple rounds (or projectiles) are fired, <i>Quantity</i> is set to the number of rounds, and <i>Rate</i> is set to the rounds per second firing rate [4, 5]. m. <i>Velocity</i> indicates the launch velocity vector of the weapon [2, 3]. n. <i>Range</i> indicates the range of the fire control solution (in 	R

ID	E	C	Test Input (HMI)	Expected Output (NIC)	P
				meters), or is set to zero [2, 3].	
S-3.3.1	M	T	(course of weapon path)	a. If a tracked weapon is fired, apply test S-1.0 (ESPDU), S-4.0 (EEPDU) and S-6.0 (UAPDU) expected outputs to the weapon entity.	R
S-3.3.2	M	T	(weapon impact or detonation) Record the outcome in the test log.	a. One Detonation PDU is sent [6]. b. <i>Firing Entity ID</i> corresponds to the ownship entity, and is identical to that in the corresponding Fire PDU [7]. c. <i>Target Entity ID</i> corresponds to the target entity or is set to 0:0:0 [7]. d. If a tracked weapon is detonated, <i>Munition ID</i> corresponds to the weapon entity [7]. e. If an untracked weapon is detonated, <i>Munition ID</i> is set to 0:0:0 [7]. f. <i>Velocity</i> indicates the weapon speed immediately before detonation [3, 7]. g. <i>Location in World Coordinates</i> indicates the detonation location rendered by the simulator (in world coordinates) [3, 7]. h. <i>Location in Entity Coordinates</i> indicates the detonation location rendered by the simulator (in target entity coordinates), or is set to (0, 0, 0). i. <i>Detonation Result</i> is defined in SISO-EBV section 5.2, and appropriately describes the detonation [7]. j. <i>Number of Articulation Parameters</i> is set to zero [limitation]. k. <i>Munition ID, Event ID, Munition Type, Warhead, Fuse, Quantity and Rate</i> are identical to that sent in the earlier Fire PDU [inference]. l. If a tracked weapon is fired, apply tests S-1.0 and S-1.5 (ESPDU) expected output.	R
Repeat	-	-	Repeat test for different combinations of target platform and weapon types.	N/A	-
Repeat	-	-	If a “target missed” outcome was not achieved, repeat the test and attempt to miss the target.	N/A	-
Repeat	-	-	Repeat test, but fire weapon at fixed bearing (or without specifying target).	N/A	-

Limitations

1. Articulation parameters, which can be optionally included in the Detonation PDU, are not tested.

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1. IEEE 1278.1, section 4.5.3.2.2, Issuance of the Fire PDU
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3. IEEE 1278.1, section 5.2.33, Vector record
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7. IEEE 1278.1, section 5.3.4.2, Detonation PDU

B.5. Electromagnetic Emission PDU

ID	E	C	Test Input (HMI)	Expected Output (NIC)	P
S-4.0	S	-	(any - EEPDU)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> EEPDU's are sent at a 10 second heartbeat rate, or when an operational parameter has changed, the elevation or azimuth thresholds (1 degree) are exceeded, or the track/jam entity information has changed [1]. <i>Entity ID</i> corresponds to the ownship entity [2]. <i>State Update</i> is set to 'State Update' or 'Changed Data Update' [2]. If <i>State Update</i> is set to 'State Update', the EEPDU reports all emitter systems associated with the entity [3]. If <i>State Update</i> is set to 'Changed Data Update', the EEPDU reports only those emitter systems that have changed since the last state update [3]. For each emitter system: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>System Data Length</i> indicates the bit length of the emitter system and corresponding beam and track/jam records (in 32-bit words) [2]. <i>System Name</i> is defined in SISO-EBV section 8.1.1, or documented elsewhere [4]. 	R

ID	E	C	Test Input (HMI)	Expected Output (NIC)	P
				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> iii. <i>System Function</i> is defined in SISO-EBV section 8.1.2 [4]. iv. <i>System ID Number</i> is set to a unique number that identifies the emission system [4]. v. <i>Location</i> indicates the location of the emitter system (in ownship entity coordinates) [4]. g. For each beam, within each system: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. <i>Beam Data Length</i> indicates the length of the beam and corresponding track/jam records (in 32-bit words) [2]. ii. <i>Beam ID Number</i> is set to a unique number that identifies the beam [2]. iii. <i>Beam Parameter Index</i> indicates an arbitrary database index number, or is set to zero [2]. iv. The fundamental parameter data corresponds to that specified in the simulator's emitter database [3], and remains constant until the radar mode or alignment is modified. v. <i>Frequency</i> is set to the centre frequency (in Hz) [5] vi. <i>Frequency Range</i> is set to the half-power bandwidth of the beam (in Hz), or to zero where the emitter is said to operate on an individual frequency [5]. vii. <i>Effective Radiated Power</i> (ERP) is set to the ERP of the emitter (in dBmW) [5]. Transmitter power, line loss and antenna gain should be considered in the ERP calculation. viii. <i>Pulse Repetition Frequency</i> (PRF) is set to the PRF of the emitter (in hertz) [5]. ix. <i>Pulse Width</i> is set to the average pulse width of the emitter (in μs) [5]. x. <i>Beam Azimuth Centre</i> is in the range $[0, 2\pi)$, <i>Beam Elevation Centre</i> is in the range $[-\pi, \pi]$. Both fields indicate the beam sweep centre, not the beam centre [5]. 	

ID	E	C	Test Input (HMI)	Expected Output (NIC)	P
				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> xi. <i>Beam Azimuth Sweep</i> and <i>Beam Elevation Sweep</i> indicate the beam sweep volume and are in the range $[0, \pi]$ [5]. xii. <i>Beam Sweep Sync</i> is in the range $[0, 100)$ [interpretation]. xiii. <i>Beam Function</i> is defined in SISO-EBV section 8.1.4 [2]. xiv. <i>High Density Track/Jam</i> is defined in SISO-EBV section 8.1.5 [2]. xv. If <i>High Density Track/Jam</i> is set to 'Selected', <i>Number of Track/Jam Targets</i> is set to zero [2]. xvi. If <i>High Density Track/Jam</i> is set to 'Not Selected', <i>Number of Track/Jam Targets</i> indicates the number of targets being tracked or jammed, and is in the range $[0, 10]$ [2]. xvii. <i>Jamming Mode Sequence</i> indicates an arbitrary database value, or is set to zero [2]. <p>h. For each Track/Jam record, within each beam, within each system:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. <i>Target Entity ID</i> corresponds to a target entity that is being tracked or jammed by the beam [2]. ii. If the target entity is being tracked, <i>System ID Number</i> and <i>Beam ID Number</i> are set to zero [2]. iii. If the target is being jammed, <i>Emitter ID</i> and <i>Beam ID</i> indicate the emitter system and beam that the jammer is attempting to interrupt [2]. 	
S-4.1	M	I	Create several entities in order to stimulate the ownship radar.	N/A	-
S-4.2	M	T	Create the ownship entity.	N/A	-
S-4.3	M	T	Activate the radar to a default mode of operation and wait 15 seconds.	a. An emitter system that represents the radar system is present in the EEPDU.	R
S-4.4	M	T	Change each radar alignment parameter (transmission frequency, power, PRF and so on) and wait 15 seconds.	<p>a. For at least one beam in the radar's emitter system</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. The fundamental operation parameters indicate the new alignment parameters. 	R

ID	E	C	Test Input (HMI)	Expected Output (NIC)	P
S-4.5	M	T	Deactivate the primary radar and wait 15 seconds.	a. The radar's emitter system is no longer present in the EEPDUs [3], or <i>Effective Radiated Power</i> is set to zero for all beams within the radar's emitter system [interpretation].	R
Repeat	-	-	Repeat for other radar or jamming equipment.	N/A	-

References

1. IEEE 1278.1, section 4.5.6.2.2, Issuance of the Electromagnetic Emission PDU
2. IEEE 1278.1, section 5.3.7.1, Electromagnetic Emission PDU
3. IEEE 1278.1, section 4.5.6.2.1, Information contained in the Electromagnetic Emission PDU
4. IEEE 1278.1, section 5.2.11, Emitter System record
5. IEEE 1278.1, section 5.2.22, Fundamental Parameter Data record

B.6. Interrogator Friend or Foe PDU

ID	E	C	Test Input (HMI)	Expected Output (NIC)	P
S-5.0	S	-	(any - IFFPDU)	a. IFFPDUs are sent at a 10 second heartbeat rate, or when one or more operating parameters have changed and the two second change latency has elapsed [1]. b. <i>System Type</i> , <i>System Name</i> and <i>System Mode</i> are defined in SISO-EBV section 8.3.1.1, and indicate an appropriate IFF transponder device [2]. c. The <u>Change Indicator</u> bit of <i>Change/Options</i> is set to 'Initial report or change since last report' or 'No change since last report' [1, 3]. d. <i>Antenna Location wrt Entity</i> indicates the location of the transmitter antenna relative to the ownship entity location [4]. e. The <u>Layer 1</u> bit of <i>Information Layers</i> is set to 'On' [5]. f. If one or more modes are enabled, The <u>System On/Off</u> bit of <i>System Status</i> set to 'On' and the <u>Operational Status</u> bit is set to 'Operational' [3]. g. If a mode is enabled, the corresponding <u>Parameter N</u> bit of <i>System Status</i> is set to 'Capable'. h. The <u>Parameter 6</u> bit of <i>System Status</i> is set to 'Not capable'	R

ID	E	C	Test Input (HMI)	Expected Output (NIC)	P
				[3], and the <i>Status</i> bit of <i>Parameter 6</i> is set to 'Off' [3].	
S-5.1	S	-	(any - IFFPDU - Layer 1)	a. The <i>Layer 2</i> bit of <i>Information Layers</i> is set to 'Off' [5].	R
S-5.2	S	-	(any - IFFPDU - Layer 2)	a. The <i>Layer 2</i> bit of <i>Information Layers</i> is set to 'On' [5]. b. <i>Layer Number</i> is set to 2 [6]. c. <i>Layer Specific Information</i> is set to zero [7]. d. <i>Length</i> indicates the byte length of the layer 2 header and beam structures [6]. e. <i>Second Operational Parameter 1</i> and <i>Second Operational Parameter 2</i> are set to zero [8, 9]. f. The beam data and fundamental parameter data correspond to that specified in the simulator's emitter database [10]. i. <i>Beam Azimuth Centre</i> is in the range $[0, 2\pi)$ and <i>Beam Elevation Centre</i> is in the range $[-\pi, \pi]$. Both fields indicate the beam sweep centre, not the beam centre [11]. j. <i>Beam Azimuth Sweep</i> and <i>Beam Elevation Sweep</i> indicate the beam sweep volume and are in the range $[0, \pi)$ [11]. k. <i>Beam Sweep Sync</i> is in the range $[0, 100)$ [interpretation]. l. If there is more than one emission beam, the beam data record is set to all zeros [12].	R
S-5.3	M	T,C	Create the ownship entity.	N/A	-
S-5.4	M	T	Activate the IFF transponder and wait at least 15 seconds.	N/A	-
S-5.5	M	T	Squawk Mode 1 code '37' for 15 seconds.	a. The <i>Status</i> bit of <i>Parameter 1</i> is set to 'On', the <i>Damage</i> bit is set to 'No Damage' and the <i>Malfunction</i> bit is set to 'No Malfunction' [3]. b. The <i>Code Element</i> bits of <i>Parameter 1</i> indicate '37' [13].	R
S-5.6	M	T	Squawk Mode 2 code '1234' for 15 seconds.	a. The <i>Status</i> bit of <i>Parameter 2</i> is set to 'On', the <i>Damage</i> bit is set to 'No Damage' and the <i>Malfunction</i> bit is set to 'No Malfunction' [3]. b. The <i>Code Element</i> bits of <i>Parameter 2</i> indicate '1234' [13].	R
S-5.7	M	T	Squawk Mode 3/A code '2345' for 15 seconds.	a. The <i>Status</i> bit of <i>Parameter 3</i> is set to 'On', the <i>Damage</i> bit is set to 'No Damage' and the <i>Malfunction</i> bit is set to 'No Malfunction' [3]. b. The <i>Code Element</i> bits of <i>Parameter 3</i> indicate '2345' [13].	R

ID	E	C	Test Input (HMI)	Expected Output (NIC)	P
S-5.8		T	Squawk Mode 4 code '3456' for 15 seconds; or Squawk Mode 4 'Valid', 'Invalid' and 'No response' each for 15 seconds.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. The <u>Status</u> bit of <i>Parameter 4</i> is set to 'On', the <u>Damage</u> bit is set to 'No Damage' and the <u>Malfunction</u> bit is set to 'No Malfunction' [3]. b. If the <u>Alternate Mode 4</u> bit of <i>Change/Options</i> is set to 'No', the <u>Code Element</u> bits of <i>Parameter 4</i> indicate '3456' [13]. c. If the <u>Alternate Mode 4</u> bit of <i>Change/Options</i> is set to 'Yes', then the <u>Code Element</u> bits of <i>Parameter 4</i> are set to all ones, and <i>Alternate Parameter 4</i> is set to either 'Valid', 'Invalid' or 'No response' [3, 15, 16]. 	D
S-5.9	M	T	Squawk Mode Charlie for 15 seconds. Record the ownship altitude in the test log.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. The <u>Status</u> bit of <i>Parameter 5</i> is set to 'On', the <u>Damage</u> bit is set to 'No Damage' and the <u>Malfunction</u> bit is set to 'No Malfunction' [3]. b. If the <u>Alternate Mode C</u> bit of <i>Change/Options</i> is set to 'No', the <u>Negative Altitude</u> and <u>Mode C Altitude</u> bits of <i>Parameter 5</i> indicate the altitude of the aircraft [3, 16]. c. If the <u>Alternate Mode C</u> bit of <i>Change/Options</i> is set to 'Yes', the <u>Negative Altitude</u> bit and <u>Mode C Altitude</u> bits are set to all ones [3, 16]. 	R
S-5.10	M	T	Squawk Identification/Flash for 15 seconds. This is also known as Identification of Position (I/P).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. The <u>Ident/Squawk Flash</u> bit of <i>Modifier</i> is set to 'On' [17]. 	R
S-5.11	M	T	Squawk Emergency mode for 15 seconds. If there is no emergency option, squawk Mode 3/A code '7700'.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. The <u>Emergency</u> bit of <i>Modifier</i> is set to 'On' [17]. b. The <u>Status</u> bit of <i>Parameter 3</i> is set to 'On', the <u>Damage</u> bit is set to 'No Damage' and the <u>Malfunction</u> bit is set to 'No Malfunction' [3]. c. The <u>Code Element</u> bits of <i>Parameter 3</i> indicate '7700'. 	R
S-5.12	M	T	Deactivate IFF transponder and wait at least 15 seconds.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. IFFPDUs are no longer sent for the ownship entity, or one or more IFFPDUs are sent with the <u>System On/Off</u> bit of <i>System Status</i> set to 'Off' [Interpretation]. 	R
Repeat	-	-	Repeat entire test where the transponder device is damaged or malfunctioning.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. The <u>Operational Status</u> bit of <i>System Status</i> may be set to 'System failed'. b. The <u>Damage</u> bit of <i>Parameter 1</i> through <i>Parameter 5</i> may be set to 'Damage'. c. The <u>Malfunction</u> bit of <i>Parameter 1</i> through <i>Parameter 5</i> is set to 'Malfunction'. 	D

Limitations

1. IFF interrogator devices are not tested.

References

1. IEEE 1278.1A, section 4.5.6.5.2, Issuance of the IFF/ATC/NAVAIDS PDU
2. IEEE 1278.1A, section 5.2.58, System Identifier record
3. SISO-EBV, section 8.3.6.1, Issuance Rules: System Type 1 (Mark X/XII/ATCRBS/Mode S Transponder)
4. IEEE 1278.1A, section 5.3.7.4.1, IFF/ATC/NAVAIDS PDU Layer 1
5. SISO-EBV, section 8.3.2.2.10, Information Layers
6. IEEE 1278.1A, section 5.2.4.7, Header Layer Record
7. SISO-EBV, section 8.3.1.3.1, Layer Specific Information
8. SISO-EBV, section 8.3.1.4.1, Operational Parameter 1
9. SISO-EBV, section 8.3.1.4.2, Operational Parameter 2
10. IEEE 1278.1A, section 5.2.45, IFF/ATC/NAVAIDS Fundamental Parameter Data record
11. IEEE 1278.1A, section 5.2.39 Beam Data record
12. IEEE 1278.1A, section 5.3.7.4.2 IFF/ATC/NAVAIDS PDU Layer 2
13. SISO-EBV, section 8.3, IFF/ATC/NAVAIDS PDU
14. SISO-EBV, section 8.3.1.2.5, Parameter 4 - Mode 4 Code/Status
15. SISO-EBV, section 8.3.1.2.9, Alternate Parameter 4
16. SISO-EBV, section 8.3.1.2.6, Parameter 5 - Mode C Code/Status
17. SISO-EBV, section 8.3.1.2.8, Modifier

B.7. Underwater Acoustic PDU

ID	E	C	Test Input (HMI)	Expected Output (NIC)	P
S-6.0	S	-	(any - UAPDU)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> UAPDUs are sent at a 180 second heartbeat interval, or when an operational parameter has changed, and the conditions defined in IEEE 1278.1A section 4.5.6.4.2, part b, are satisfied [1]. <i>Entity ID</i> corresponds to the ownship entity [2]. <i>State Update</i> is set to 'State Update' or 'Changed Data Update' [2]. If <i>State Update</i> is set to 'State Update', the UAPDU reports all emitter systems associated with the entity [3]. 	R

ID	E	C	Test Input (HMI)	Expected Output (NIC)	P
				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> d. If <i>State Update</i> is set to 'Changed Data Update, the UAPDU reports only those emitter systems that have changed since the last state update [3]. e. <i>Passive Parameter Index</i> indicates an arbitrary database index, or is set to zero [2]. f. <i>Propulsion Plant Configuration</i> is defined in SISO-EBV section 8.4.7 [2]. g. For each shaft: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. <i>Current RPM</i>, <i>Ordered RPM</i> and <i>RPM Rate of Change</i> indicate the speed of the ownship (in clockwise RPM) [2]. h. For each additional passive activity record: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Bits 13-0 of <i>APA Parameter Index</i> indicate an arbitrary database index, or are set to zero [2]. ii. Bits 15-14 of <i>APA Parameter Index</i> indicate on/off/changed status of the record [2]. iii. <i>APA Value</i> indicates an arbitrary database index. i. For each emission system: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. <i>System Data Length</i> indicates the length of the emitter system and corresponding beam records (in 32-bit words) [2]. ii. <i>Acoustic Name</i> is defined in SISO-EBV section 8.4.2, or documented elsewhere [4]. iii. <i>Acoustic Function</i> is defined in SISO-EBV section 8.4.3 [4]. iv. <i>Acoustic ID Number</i> is set to a unique value, greater than zero, that identifies the emission system [4]. iv. <i>Location wrt Entity</i> indicates the location of the acoustic emitter system (in ownship entity coordinates) [2]. j. For each beam, within each emission system: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. The <i>Beam Data Length</i> indicates the length of the beam (in 32-bit words) [2]. ii. The <i>Beam ID Number</i> is set to a unique value that identifies the beam [2]. 	

ID	E	C	Test Input (HMI)	Expected Output (NIC)	P
				iii. <i>Emission Parameter Index</i> indicates an arbitrary database index number, or is set to zero [5]. iv. <i>Scan Pattern</i> is defined in SISO-EBV section 8.4.5, or is set to zero [5]. v. The fundamental parameter data corresponds to that specified in the simulator's emitter database. vi. <i>Beam Centre Azimuth</i> is in the range $[0, 2\pi)$ [5]. vii. <i>Beam Centre D/E</i> is in the range $[-\pi, \pi]$ [5]. viii. <i>Azimuthal Beamwidth</i> and <i>D/E Beamwidth</i> describe the half-power beamwidth of the main beam, are in the range $[0, 2\pi)$ [5]. ix. Omnidirectional beams are assigned an axis centre and beamwidth of zero [5].	
S-6.1	M	T,C	Create the ownship entity, assign a fixed speed, and wait at least three minutes. If the ownship is an aircraft, position it at a low altitude above the ocean.	a. For the primary additional passive activity: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. <i>Current RPM</i> and <i>Ordered RPM</i> are equal. ii. <i>RPM Rate of Change</i> is approximately equal to zero. 	R
S-6.2	M	T	Increase the speed of the ownship, and wait three minutes.	N/A	-
S-6.3	M	T	Decrease the speed of the ownship, and wait three minutes.	N/A	-
S-6.4	M	T	Modify the unintentional acoustic signature of the ownship.	a. <i>Passive Parameter Index</i> indicates the new passive database index.	R
S-6.5	M	T	Activate the active sonar and wait three minutes.	a. An emitter system that represents the active sonar is present in the UAPDU.	R
S-6.6	M	T	Modify the sonar alignment parameters, such as scan pattern, scan sector and source power.	a. For at least one beam in the active sonar's emitter system: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. The fundamental operation parameters indicate the new alignment parameters. 	R
S-6.7	M	T	Deactivate the sonar and wait three minutes.	a. The emitter system that describes the active sonar is no longer present in UAPDUs sent by the simulator [3]. b. UAPDUs are no longer sent by the simulator [interpretation].	R
Repeat	-	-	Repeat for other sonar equipment.	N/A	-

References

1. IEEE 1278.1A, section 4.5.6.4.2, Issuance of the UA PDU
2. IEEE 1278.1A, section 5.3.7.3, UA PDU

3. IEEE 1278.1A, section 4.5.6.4.1, Information contained in the UA PDU
4. IEEE 1278.1A, section 5.2.35, Acoustic Emitter System record
5. IEEE 1278.1A, section 5.2.59, UA Fundamental Parameter Data record

B.8. Radio Communications Family

ID	E	C	Test Input (HMI)	Expected Output (NIC)	P
S-7.0.1	S	-	(any - TXPDU)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <i>Entity ID</i> corresponds to the ownship entity [1]. b. <i>Radio ID</i> is greater than one, and identifies the unique radio transmitter device attached to the ownship [1]. c. <i>Radio Entity Type</i> is defined in SISO-EBV section 4.2.1.7 [2]. d. <i>Transmit State</i> is defined in SISO-EBV section 9.1.2 [1]. e. <i>Input Source</i> is defined in SISO-EBV section 9.1.3 [1]. f. <i>Antenna Location</i> indicates the location of the transmitter antenna (world coordinates), or all 192 bits of the field are set to zero [3]. g. <i>Relative Antenna Location</i> indicates the location of the transmitter antenna relative to the ownship entity [3]. h. <i>Antenna Pattern Type</i> is defined in SISO-EBV section 9.1.4 [1]. i. <i>Antenna Pattern Length</i> is a multiple of eight, or is set to zero [1, limitation]. j. <i>Frequency</i> is set to the centre frequency of the transmitting device (in hertz) [1]. k. <i>Transmit Frequency Bandwidth</i> is set to half-power bandwidth of the transmitting device [2]. l. <i>Power</i> indicates the average transmission power (in dBmW). m. <i>Spread Spectrum Modulation</i> is set to all zero [5, limitation]. n. <i>Major Modulation, Detail Modulation, and Modulation System</i> are defined in SISO-EBV section 9.1.1 [1]. o. <i>Crypto System</i> is defined in SISO-EBV section 9.1.4 [1]. p. The 16th bit of <i>Crypto Key ID</i> is set to zero to indicate 'base band encryption' [interpretation]. 	R

ID	E	C	Test Input (HMI)	Expected Output (NIC)	P
				q. <i>Length of Modulation Parameters</i> is set to a multiple of eight [1, limitation].	
S-7.0.2	S	-	(any - Signal PDU)	a. <i>Entity ID</i> indicates the ownship entity [6]. b. <i>Radio ID</i> is greater than one, and identifies the unique the radio transmitter device attached the ownship [6]. c. The <i>Encoding Class</i> and <i>Encoding Type</i> bits of <i>Encoding Scheme</i> are defined in SISO-EBV section 9.2 [6]. d. <i>TDL Type</i> is set to zero [6, limitation].	R
S-7.1	M	C	Configure the ownship and instructor/asset stations to transmit/receive communications on 8.125 MHz using Amplitude Modulation (AM). Set the crypto system to 'KY-28' and pseudo encryption key to 32767 (11111111111111b). Set the encoding scheme to 8-bit mu-law and sample rate to 8000 Hz.	N/A	-
S-7.2	M	T,C	Create the ownship entity. Ensure that the entity is stationary, and that the radio transmitter/receiver is deactivated. Wait at least 15 seconds.	a. TXPDUs are sent at a five second heartbeat interval, or when the antenna location or elevation/azimuth thresholds have been exceeded (500 meters and 180 degrees respectively) [7]: i. <i>Transmitting State</i> is set to 'Off'. b. RXPDUs are sent at a five second heartbeat interval [8]: i. <i>Receiving State</i> is set to 'Off'.	R
S-7.3	M	T	Whilst stationary, activate the radio, but do not transmit. Wait at least 15 seconds.	a. TXPDUs are sent at a five second heartbeat interval, or when the antenna location, elevation/azimuth thresholds have been exceeded (500 meters and 180 degrees respectively) [7]: i. <i>Transmitting State</i> is set to 'On but not transmitting'. ii. <i>Frequency</i> is set to 8.125 MHz iii. <i>Major Modulation</i> is set to 'Amplitude'. iv. <i>Minor Modulation</i> is set to 'AM'. v. <i>Modulation System</i> is set to 'Generic'. b. RXPDUs are sent at a five second heartbeat interval [8]: i. <i>Receiving State</i> is set to 'On but not receiving' or 'On and receiving'.	R
S-7.4	M	T	Whilst stationary, transmit plain audio for 15 seconds.	a. At least one TXPDU is sent.	R

ID	E	C	Test Input (HMI)	Expected Output (NIC)	P
				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. <i>Transmitting State</i> is set to 'On and transmitting'. ii. <i>Crypto System</i> is set to zero and/or the lower 15-bits of <i>Crypto Key ID</i> are set to zero. <p>b. The simulator sends one or more Signal PDUs [9].</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. The <u>Encoding Class</u> bits of <i>Encoding Scheme</i> are set to 'Encoded audio' and the <u>Encoding Scheme</u> bits are set to '8-bit mu-law'. ii. <i>Sample Rate</i> is set to 8000 Hz. iii. The encoded audio stored in <i>Data</i> corresponds to the transmitted audio, is legible, and is at an appropriate volume level. 	
S-7.5	M	T	Manoeuvre the ownship to a moving state (e.g. constant velocity) for 10 seconds.	Apply test S-7.3 expected output, however the TXPDU heartbeat interval is two seconds.	R
S-7.6	M	T	Whilst moving, transmit plain audio for five seconds.	Apply test S-7.4 expected output.	R
S-7.7	M	T	Whilst moving, switch to secure audio mode and wait for 15 seconds.	<p>a. TXPDUs are sent at a two second heartbeat interval, or when the antenna location or elevation/azimuth thresholds have been exceeded (500 meters and 180 degrees respectively) [7].</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. <i>Transmitting State</i> is set to 'Off'. ii. <i>Frequency</i> is set to 8.125 MHz iii. <i>Major Modulation</i> is set to 'Amplitude'. iv. <i>Minor Modulation</i> is set to 'AM'. v. <i>Modulation System</i> is set to 'Generic'. vi. <i>Crypto System</i> is set to 'KY-28'. vii. The lower 15-bits of <i>Crypto Key ID</i> are set to 32767. <p>c. The simulator sends one or more Signal PDUs [9].</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. The <u>Encoding Class</u> bits of <i>Encoding Scheme</i> are set to 'Encoded audio' and the <u>Encoding Scheme</u> bits are set to '8-bit mu-law'. ii. <i>Sample Rate</i> is set to 8000 Hz. iii. The encoded audio stored in <i>Data</i> corresponds to the transmitted audio, is legible, and is at an appropriate volume level. 	R
S-7.8	M	T	Whilst moving, transmit secure audio for five seconds.	Apply test S-7.4 expected output.	R

ID	E	C	Test Input (HMI)	Expected Output (NIC)	P
S-7.9	M	T	Return the ownship to a stationary state and wait for 15 seconds.	Apply test S-7.7 expected output, however the TXPDU heartbeat interval is five seconds.	R
S-7.10	M	T	Whilst stationary, transmit secure audio for five seconds.	Apply test S-7.4 expected output.	R
Repeat	-	-	Repeat test for FM modulation at 240.125 MHz.	N/A	-
Repeat	-	-	Repeat test for BFTT modulation at 240.125 MHz.	N/A	-

Limitations

1. Simulator-specific antenna pattern and modulation parameter records are not tested.
2. Spread spectrum bitfields, such as those relevant to frequency hopping radios, are not tested.
3. Simulated tactical data links are not tested.

References

1. IEEE 1278.1, section 5.3.8.1, Transmitter PDU
2. IEEE 1278.1, section 5.2.25, Radio Entity Type record
3. IEEE 1278.1, section 5.2.3, Antenna Location record
4. IEEE 1278.1, section 5.2.23, Modulation Type record
5. SISO-EBV, section 9.1.1.1, Spread Spectrum
6. IEEE 1278.1, section 5.3.8.2, Signal PDU
7. IEEE 1278.1, section 4.5.7.2.2, Issuance of the Transmitter PDU
8. IEEE 1278.1, section 4.5.7.4.2, Issuance of the Receiver PDU
9. IEEE 1278.1, section 4.5.7.3.2, Issuance of the Signal PDU

B.9. Stop/Freeze and Start/Resume PDUs

ID	E	C	Test Input (HMI)	Expected Output (NIC)	P
S-8.0	S	-	(any – Stop/Freeze or Start/Resume PDU)	a. The <i>Site</i> and <i>Host</i> fields within <i>Originating Entity ID</i> correspond to the simulator [1, 2]. b. <i>Receiving Entity ID</i> adheres to Entity ID addressing scheme [interpretation].	R
S-8.1	M	C	Stop/Freeze the simulation. If a stop time can be specified, enter current time plus 30 seconds.	a. The simulator sends a Stop/Freeze PDU <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. <i>Real-world Time</i> indicates the real-world time at which the simulation is to be stopped [1]. ii. <i>Reason</i> is set to zero is defined in SISO-EBV section 7.2.1 [1]. iii. <i>Frozen Behaviour</i> is to either ‘Stop’ to ‘Offline’ [1, interpretation]. 	R
S-8.2	M	C	Start/Resume the simulation. If a start time can be specified, enter current time plus 30 seconds.	a. The simulator sends a Start/Resume PDU <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. <i>Real-world Time</i> indicates the real-world time at which the simulation is to be started [2]. ii. <i>Simulation Time</i> indicates the time from when the simulation should commence [2]. iii. <i>Reason</i> is defined in SISO-EBV section 7.2.1 [2]. 	R

Limitations

1. The case where the simulator sends a Stop/Free or Start/Resume PDU, but does not receive an Acknowledge PDU is not tested.

References

1. IEEE 1278.1, section 5.3.6.4, Stop/Freeze PDU
2. IEEE 1278.1, section 5.3.6.3, Start/Resume PDU

B.10. Set Data or Comment PDU

ID	E	C	Test Input (HMI)	Expected Output (NIC)	P
S-9.0	S	-	(any – Set Data or Comment PDU)	a. The <i>Site</i> and <i>Host</i> fields within <i>Originating Entity ID</i> correspond to the simulator [1, 2]. b. <i>Receiving Entity ID</i> adheres with Entity ID addressing scheme [interpretation]. c. For each fixed datum record: i. <i>Fixed Datum ID</i> is defined in SISO-EBV section 7.1, or documented elsewhere [3]. d. For each variable datum record: i. <i>Variable Datum ID</i> is defined in SISO-EBV section 7.1, or documented elsewhere [4]. ii. <i>Variable Datum Length</i> indicates the length of the variable datum value (in bits), and is a multiple of 64 [4].	R
S-9.1	S	-	(any – Comment PDU)	e. <i>Fixed Number of Fields</i> is set to zero [2].	R

Limitations

1. Specific datum values are not tested.

References

1. IEEE 1278.1, section 5.3.6.9, Set Data PDU
2. IEEE 1278.1, section 5.3.6.12, Comment PDU
3. IEEE 1278.1, section 5.2.20, Fixed Datum record
4. IEEE 1278.1, section 5.2.32, Variable Datum record

B.11. Other Functionality

ID	E	C	Test Input (HMI)	Expected Output (NIC)	P
S-10.0	S	-	(any)	a. If no PDUs are sent to convey the functionality, record the implication for training in the test log. b. If a standard PDU is sent, apply the relevant test cases. c. If a non-standard PDU type is sent, ensure that its purpose and usage documented, and that the PDU type does not conflict with existing non-standard PDU types.	R
S-10.1	-	T,C	Create the ownship entity.	N/A	-
S-10.2	-	T	Launch chaff.	N/A	-
S-10.3	-	T	Launch flares.	N/A	-
S-10.4	-	T	Launch sonobuoys.	N/A	-
S-10.5	-	C	Modify environmental conditions, for example, sea state or wind speed.	N/A	-

B.12. Instructor/Asset Station

Repeat tests S-0 through S-10 for the instructor/asset stations; where an input action refers to the trainer component (T), use the instructor/asset station component (I).

B.13. Stress Test

ID	E	C	Test Input (HMI)	Expected Output (NIC)	P
S-12.0	S	-	(any)	All PDUs are transmitted at the correct heartbeat rate.	R
S-12.1	M	T,C	Create the ownship entity.	N/A	-
S-12.2	M	I	Generate 250 entities, comprising a mixture of platform types. All entities should have IFF, radar and/or sonar equipment activated.	All 250 entities are rendered. If the simulator imposes a limit on the number of entities it can generate, record this limit in the test log.	D

Appendix C: Test Cases for DIS Receive Testing

Unless stated, all PDUs are to be generated using the *Version* and *Exercise ID* set in the configuration testing stage.

C.1. Entity State PDU

C.1.1 Entity State - Dead Reckoning

The purpose of this test is to ensure remote entities are rendered and that various dead reckoning algorithms are supported.

ID	E	C	Test Input (NIC)	Expected Output (HMI)	P
R-1.1.0	S	-	(any)	a. The simulator renders the remote entity [1]. b. The location of the remote entity rendered by the simulator corresponds to the described in the ESPDUs [1]. c. Symbology depicting the test entity platform and force ID is appropriate [1]. d. The dead-reckoned movement of the entity appears smooth and consistent [2].	R
R-1.1.1	M	X	Generate a test entity. The entity shall be orientated to the north and stationary for 12 seconds.	a. The simulator renders the orientation as north [1].	R
R-1.1.2	M	X	Move the test entity in a straight line at a constant velocity for 30 seconds.	N/A	-
R-1.1.3	M	X	Move the test entity in a circular pattern for 30 seconds.	N/A	-
Repeat	-	-	Repeat for each dead reckoning algorithms.	N/A	-
Repeat	-	-	Repeat for each platform domain (land, air, sea) and force orientations.	N/A	-

C.1.2 Entity State - Appearance

The purpose of this test is to demonstrate rendering of remote entity appearance bits.

ID	E	C	Test Input (NIC)	Expected Output (HMI)	P
R-1.2.1	M	X	Generate a stationary test entity. Set the test entity <u>Damage</u> bits of <i>Appearance</i> to 'No damage'.	Test entity is rendered as undamaged [1].	R
R-1.2.2	M	X	Set the test entity <u>Damage</u> bits of <i>Appearance</i> to 'Slight damage' or 'Moderate damage'.	Test entity is rendered as destroyed or damaged [1].	D
R-1.2.3	M	X	Set the test entity <u>Damage</u> bits of <i>Appearance</i> to 'Destroyed'.	Test entity is rendered as destroyed [1].	D
Repeat	-	-	Repeat for each platform domain (land, air, sea) and force orientations.	N/A	-

C.1.3 Entity State – Deactivation

This test demonstrates correct handling of deactivated entities.

ID	E	C	Test Input (NIC)	Expected Output (HMI)	P
R-1.3.1	M	X	Generate a test entity and wait for 15 seconds.	Test entity is rendered [1].	R
R-1.3.2	M	X	Deactivate the test entity. i. Send a final ESPDU with the <u>State</u> bit of <i>Appearance</i> set to 'Deactivated'.	Immediately following deactivation the test entity is no longer rendered [1].	R

C.1.4 Entity State – Timeout

This test demonstrates receipt of entities that have timed out.

ID	E	C	Test Input (NIC)	Expected Output (HMI)	P
R-1.4.1	M	X	Generate a test entity and wait for 15 seconds.	Test entity is rendered [1].	R
R-1.4.2	M	X	Deactivate the test entity and wait 12 seconds. i. Do not send a final ESPDU.	The test entity is no longer rendered [1].	R

C.1.5 Entity State – Frozen Entity

This test demonstrates receipt of frozen entities.

ID	E	C	Test Input (NIC)	Expected Output (HMI)	P
R-1.5.1	M	X	Generate a test entity and wait for 15 seconds.	Test entity is rendered [1].	R
R-1.5.2	M	X	Set the test entity into a frozen state. i. Continue to send ESPDUs with the <i>Appearance</i> field set to 'Frozen', and the <i>State</i> bit is set to 'Activated'.	The test entity is no longer dead reckoned [3].	R

C.1.6 Entity State – Protocol Data Unit Header

This test demonstrates receipt of PDU header, when set to atypical values.

ID	E	C	Test Input (HMI)	Expected Output (NIC)	P
R-1.6.1	M	X	Generate a test entity with <i>Protocol Version</i> set to 4.	The simulator renders the remote entity.	D
R-1.6.2	M	X	Generate a test entity with <i>Protocol Version</i> set to 5.	The simulator renders the remote entity.	D
R-1.6.3	M	X	Generate a test entity with <i>Exercise ID</i> set to 2 (or any value other than that currently sent by the simulator).	The simulator does not render the remote entity [4].	R
R-1.6.4	M	X	Generate a test entity with Entity ID set to 0:0:0.	The simulator does not render the remote entity [5].	D
R-1.6.5	M	X	Generate a test entity with <i>Entity ID</i> set to 65535: 65535: 65535.	The simulator does not render the remote entity [5].	D

Limitations

1. Articulation parameters, which can be optionally included in the ESPDU, are not tested.

References

1. IEEE 1278.1, section 4.5.2.1.4, Receipt of the Entity State PDU
2. IEEE 1278.1, section 4.5.2.1.2.2, Dead reckoning and the receiving entity
3. IEEE 1278.1, section 4.5.2.1.2.4, Dead reckoning of frozen entities
4. IEEE 1278.1, section 4.5.1.2, DIS exercise identification
5. IEEE 1278.1, section 5.2.14.2, Entity Identification

C.2. Collision PDU

C.2.1 Ownship Collision

This test demonstrates receipt of Collision PDU, where a remote entity collides with the ownship.

ID	E	C	Test Input (NIC)	Expected Output (HMI)	P
R-2.1.1	M	T,C	Create the ownship entity.	N/A	-
R-2.1.2	M	X	Create a threat entity within the vicinity of the ownship entity.	N/A	-
R-2.1.3	M	X	Manoeuvre the threat entity such that it collides with the ownship entity, at a velocity greater than 0.1 metres per second (or greater than 0.25 knots). A Collision PDU shall be sent describing the collision.	a. The collision is rendered [1]. b. The ownship sustains appropriate damage [1].	D

C.2.2 Collision Elsewhere

This test demonstrates receipt of Collision PDU, where a remote entity collides with another remote entity.

ID	E	C	Test Input (NIC)	Expected Output (HMI)	P
R-2.2.1	M	X	Create a test entity A.	N/A	-
R-2.2.2	M	X	Create a test entity B within the vicinity of test entity A.	N/A	-
R-2.2.3	M	X	Manoeuvre the test entity A such that it collides with the test entity B, at a velocity greater than 0.1 metres per second (or greater than 0.25 knots). A Collision PDU shall be sent describing the collision.	The collision is rendered [1].	D

References

1. IEEE 1278.1, section 4.5.2.2.4, Receipt of the Collision PDU

C.3. Weapons

C.3.1 Weapons fired at Ownship

This test demonstrates receipt of the Fire and Detonation PDU, where a remote entity fires upon the ownship.

ID	E	C	Test Input (NIC)	Expected Output (HMI)	P
R-3.1.1	M	X	Create a threat entity.	N/A	-
R-3.1.2	M	T,C	Create the ownship entity with fire solution range of the threat entity.	N/A	-
R-3.1.3	M	X	Fire a weapon from the threat entity at the ownship entity.	The fire interaction is rendered by the simulator, at the location reported in the Fire PDU [1].	D
R-3.1.4	M	X	(weapon travel)	If weapon is tracked, apply test R-1.1.0 (ESPDU) expected output to the weapon entity.	
R-3.1.5	M	X	(weapon detonation)	a. The detonation interaction is rendered by the simulator, at the location reported in the Detonation PDU [2]. b. The simulator responds appropriately to the detonation [2].	R
Repeat	-	-	Repeat test for untracked weapons (where applicable).	N/A	-
Repeat	-	-	Repeat test, such that the weapon misses the simulator.	N/A	-

C.3.2 Weapons fired elsewhere

This test demonstrates receipt of the Fire and Detonation PDU, where a remote entity fires upon another remote entity.

ID	E	C	Test Input (NIC)	Expected Output (HMI)	P
R-3.2.1	M	X	Create a test entity A.	N/A	-
R-3.2.2	M	X	Create a test entity B within fire solution range of test entity A.	N/A	-
R-3.2.3	M	X	Launch tracked weapon from test entity A at test entity B.	The fire interaction is rendered by the simulator, at the location reported in the Fire PDU [1].	D
R-3.2.4	M	X	(weapon travel)	If weapon is tracked, apply test R-1.1.0 (ESPDU) expected output to the weapon entity.	-
R-3.2.5	M	X	(weapon detonation)	The denotation interaction is rendered by the simulator, at the location reported in the Detonation PDU [2].	R
Repeat	-	-	Repeat test for untracked weapons (where applicable).	N/A	-

Limitations

1. Articulation parameters, which can be optionally included in the Detonation PDU, are not tested.

References

1. IEEE 1278.1, section 4.5.3.2.4, Receipt of the Fire PDU
2. IEEE 1278.1, section 4.5.3.3.3, Interpretation of detonation result and inclusion of entity identifier

C.4. Electromagnetic Emissions

Electromagnetic data is required to stimulate the simulator. As this data is dependent on the configuration of the simulator, it is described using arrowed brackets.

C.4.1 Electromagnetic Emissions – State Update

This test demonstrates receipt of electromagnetic emissions.

ID	E	C	Test Input (NIC)	Expected Output (HMI)	P
R-4.1.1	M	X	Generate a test entity within EW sensor range of the ownship entity.	No systems or beams are rendered.	R
R-4.1.2	M	X	<p>Activate the both emission systems and wait for 10 seconds.</p> <p>The first system (System A) shall indicate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. <i>System Name</i> is set to <System A-name>. ii. <i>System Function</i> is set to <System A-function>. iii. <i>System ID Number</i> is set to 1. <p>The first beam of the first system (Beam A1) shall indicate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. <i>Beam ID Number</i> is set to 1. ii. <i>Beam Parameter Index</i> is set to <Beam A1 index>. iii. <i>Beam Function</i> is set to < Beam A1 function>. iv. The fundamental parameter data is set to < Beam A1 data>. v. <i>Number of Track/Jam Targets</i> is set to the number of tracked entities. vi. <i>High Density Track/Jam</i> is set to 'Not Selected'. <p>The second beam of the first system (Beam A2) shall indicate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. <i>Beam ID Number</i> is set to 2. ii. <i>Beam Parameter Index</i> is set to <Beam A2 index>. iii. <i>Beam Function</i> is set to < Beam A2 function>. iv. The fundamental parameter data is set to < Beam A2 data>. 	All beams are rendered [1, 2].	R

ID	E	C	Test Input (NIC)	Expected Output (HMI)	P
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> v. <i>Number of Track/Jam Targets</i> is set to 0. vi. <i>High Density Track/Jam</i> is set to 'Not Selected'. <p>The second system (System B) shall indicate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. <i>System Name</i> is set to <System B-name>. ii. <i>System Function</i> is set to <System B-function>. iii. <i>System ID Number</i> is set to 2. <p>The first beam of the second system (Beam B1) shall indicate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. <i>Beam ID Number</i> is set to 1. ii. <i>Beam Parameter Index</i> is set to <Beam B1 index>. iii. <i>Beam Function</i> is set to <Beam B1 function>. iv. The fundamental parameter data is set to <Beam B1 data>. v. <i>Number of Track/Jam Targets</i> is set to 0. vi. <i>High Density Track/Jam</i> is set to 'Not Selected'. 		
R-4.1.3	M	X	<p>For at least one beam, track one or more entities. The beam shall indicate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. <i>Number of Track/Jam Targets</i> is set to N. ii. <i>High Density Track/Jam</i> is set to 'Not Selected'. iii. Specify entity IDs in the corresponding track/jam target records. 	Apply test R-4.1.2 expected output.	
R-4.1.5	M	X	<p>Deactivate the Beam A1 and wait 10 seconds.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Set the <i>Effective Radiated Power</i> to zero for the second beam of the first system. 	The first beam of the first system is not rendered [1, 2].	R
R-4.1.6	M	X	<p>Deactivate the Beam A1 and wait 10 seconds.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Remove the first beam, of the first system, from the EEPDU. 	The first beam of the first system is not rendered [1, 2].	R
R-4.1.7	M	X	<p>Deactivate System A.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ii. Remove the second beam, of the first system, from the EEPDU. 	The second beam of the first system is not rendered [1, 2].	R
R-4.1.8	M	X	<p>Deactivate the System A.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> iii. Remove the first system from the EEPDU. 	Only system B is rendered [1, 2].	R
R-4.1.9	M	X	<p>Deactivate the System B and wait 10 seconds.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Send EEPDUs that contain no emission systems. 	No systems or beams are rendered [1, 2].	R

C.4.2 Electromagnetic Emissions – Timeout

This test demonstrates EEPDU timeout processing.

ID	E	C	Test Input (NIC)	Expected Output (HMI)	P
R-4.2.1	M	X	Generate a test entity within EW sensor range of the ownship entity.	No systems or beams are rendered.	R
R-4.2.2	M	X	Activate both emission systems and wait for 10 seconds. (Refer to test R.4.1.2 input)	All beams are rendered [1, 2].	R
R-4.2.3	M	X	Deactivate both emission systems and wait 12 seconds. i. No longer send EEPDUs	No systems or beams are rendered [interpretation].	D

References

1. IEEE 1278.1, section 4.5.6.2.3, Receipt of the Electromagnetic Emission PDU
2. IEEE 1278.1, section 4.5.6.2.4, Emission regeneration

C.5. Interrogator Friend or Foe PDU

Electromagnetic emission data is required to stimulate the simulator. As this data is dependent on the configuration of the simulator, it is described using arrowed brackets.

C.5.1 Interrogator Friend or Foe – State Update

This test demonstrates receipt of IFF transponder state.

ID	E	C	Test Input (NIC)	Expected Output (HMI)	P
R-5.1.0a	S	-	(Any - when squawking any mode – Layer 1): i. The <u>Status</u> bit of <i>Parameter N</i> is set to ‘On’, the <u>Damage</u> bit is set to ‘No Damage’ and the <u>Malfunction</u> bit is set to ‘No Malfunction’.	N/A	-
R-5.1.0b	S	-	(Any - when squawking any mode – Layer 2): i. The beam data record is set to <Beam>. ii. The first fundamental parameter data record is set to <Data 1>. iii. The second fundamental parameter data record is set to <Data 2>.	Both beams are rendered.	D
R-5.1.1	M	X	Create a test entity within IFF interrogation range of the ownship, but do not commence sending of IFF PDUs.	No modes are rendered.	R
R-5.1.2	M	X	Activate the IFF transponder (initially using IFF Layer 1 PDU). i. The <u>System On/Off</u> bit of <i>System Status</i> is set to ‘On’ and the <u>Operational Status</u> bit is set to ‘Operational’.	No modes are rendered [1].	R
R-5.1.3	M	X	Squawk Mode 1 code ‘37’ for 15 seconds.	Mode 1 code ‘37’ is rendered [2].	R
R-5.1.4	M	X	Squawk Mode 2 code ‘1234’ for 15 seconds.	Mode 2 code ‘1234’ is rendered [2].	R
R-5.1.5	M	X	Squawk Mode 3/A code ‘2345’ for 15 seconds.	Mode 3/A code ‘2345’ is rendered [2].	R
R-5.1.6	-	X	Squawk Mode 4 code ‘3456’ for 15 seconds. i. The <u>Alternate Mode 4</u> bit of <i>Change/Options</i> is set to ‘No’.	Mode 4 code ‘3456’ is rendered [2].	R
R-5.1.7	-	X	Squawk Mode 4 ‘Valid’ response for 15 seconds.	Mode 4 ‘Valid’ response is rendered [2].	R

ID	E	C	Test Input (NIC)	Expected Output (HMI)	P
			i. The <u>Alternate Mode 4</u> bit of <i>Change/Options</i> is set to 'Yes'. ii. The <u>Code Element</u> bits of <i>Parameter 4</i> are set to all ones. iii. <i>Alternate Parameter 4</i> is set to 'Valid'.		
R-5.1.8	-	X	Repeat test R-5.7 input with 'Invalid' response.	Mode 4 'Invalid' response is rendered [2].	R
R-5.1.9	-	X	Repeat test R-5.7 input with 'No response'	Mode 4 'No response' rendered [2].	R
R-5.1.10	M	X	Squawk Mode Charlie for 15 seconds. i. The <u>Alternative Mode C</u> bit of <i>Change/Options</i> is set to 'No.' ii. The <u>Negative Altitude</u> bit and <u>Mode C Altitude</u> bits of <i>Parameter 5</i> indicate the altitude of the test entity.	The altitude reported in the IFFPDU is rendered [2].	R
R-5.1.11	M	X	Squawk Mode Charlie for 15 seconds. i. The <u>Alternate Mode C</u> bit of <i>Change/Options</i> is set to 'Yes' ii. The <u>Negative Altitude</u> bit and <u>Mode C Altitude</u> bits of <i>Parameter 5</i> are set to all ones.	The altitude reported in the ESPDU is rendered [2].	R
R-5.1.12	M	X	Squawk Identification/Flash for 15 seconds. i. The <u>Ident/Squawk Flash</u> bit of <i>Modifier</i> is set to 'On'.	Identification/flash, Identification of Position (I/P) or Special Position Indicator is rendered.	R
R-5.1.13	M	X	Squawk Emergency mode for 15 seconds. i. Squawk Mode 3/ A code '7700'. ii. The <u>Emergency</u> bit of <i>Modifier</i> is set to 'On'.	Emergency is rendered.	R
Repeat	-	-	Repeat test where the <u>Operational Status</u> bit of <i>System Status</i> is set to 'System failed'.	No modes are rendered.	R
Repeat	-	-	Repeat test where the <u>Damage</u> bit of <i>Parameter 1</i> through <i>Parameter 6</i> is set to 'Damage'.	No modes are rendered.	R
Repeat	-	-	Repeat test where the <u>Malfunction</u> bit of <i>Parameter 1</i> through <i>Parameter 6</i> is set to 'Malfunction'.	No modes are rendered.	R
Repeat	-	-	Repeat test using IFF Layer 2 PDU.	N/A	-

C.5.2 Interrogator Friend or Foe – Deactivate

This test demonstrates handling of a deactivated IFF transponder.

ID	E	C	Test Input (NIC)	Expected Output (HMI)	P
R-5.2.1	M	X	Create a test entity within IFF interrogation range of the ownship.	No modes are rendered.	R
R-5.2.2	M	X	Activate the IFF transponder. ii. <i>System On/Off</i> bit of <i>System Status</i> is set to 'On' and the <i>Operational Status</i> bit is set to 'Operational'.	No modes are rendered.	R
R-5.2.3	M	X	Squawk Mode 3/A code '2345' indefinitely.	Mode 3/A code '2345' is rendered [2].	R
R-5.2.4	M	X	Deactivate the IFF transponder. i. The <i>System On/Off</i> bit of <i>System Status</i> is set to 'Off'.	No modes are rendered [1].	R

C.5.3 Interrogator Friend or Foe – Timeout

This test demonstrates handling of an IFF transponder that has timed out.

ID	E	C	Test Input (NIC)	Expected Output (HMI)	P
R-5.3.1	M	X	Create a test entity within IFF interrogation range of the ownship.	No modes are rendered.	R
R-5.3.2	M	X	Activate the IFF transponder. iii. The <i>System On/Off</i> bit of <i>System Status</i> is set to 'On' and the <i>Operational Status</i> bit is set to 'Operational'.	No modes are rendered.	R
R-5.3.3	M	X	Squawk Mode 3/A code '2345' indefinitely.	Mode 3/A code '2345' is rendered [2].	R
R-5.3.4	M	X	Deactivate the IFF transponder and wait 24 seconds. ii. No longer send IFFPDUs.	No modes are rendered [interpretation].	D

Limitations

1. IFF interrogator devices are not tested.

References

1. IEEE 1278.1, section 4.5.6.5.3, Receipt of the IFF/ATC/NAVAIDS PDU
2. SISO-EBV, section 8.3.6.2, Receipt Rules: System Type 1 (Mark X/XII/ATCRBS/Mode S Transponder)

C.6. Underwater Acoustic PDU

Underwater acoustic emission data is required to stimulate the simulator. As this data is dependent on the configuration of the simulator, it is described using arrowed brackets.

C.6.1 Underwater Acoustic PDU – State Update

This test demonstrates receipt of underwater acoustic emissions.

ID	E	C	Test Input (NIC)	Expected Output (HMI)	P
R-6.1.1	M	X	Create test entity within sonar range of the ownship.	The passive acoustic signature is rendered [1, 2]	R
R-6.1.2	M	X	Change the passive acoustic signature.	The new passive acoustic signature is rendered [1, 2]	R
R-6.1.3	M	X	Assigned the test entity a fixed speed and wait three minutes.	Test entity shaft rate is rendered [1, 2].	R
R-6.1.4	M	X	Increase the test entity to a speed and wait three minutes.	Test entity shaft rate is rendered [1, 2].	R
R-6.1.5	M	X	Decrease the test entity to a speed and wait three minutes.	Test entity shaft rate is rendered [1, 2].	R
R-6.1.6	M	X	<p>Activate the emission systems and wait three minutes.</p> <p>The first system (System A) shall indicate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> iv. <i>Acoustic Name</i> is set to <System A name>. v. <i>Acoustic Function</i> is set to <System A function>. vi. <i>Acoustic ID Number</i> is set to 1. <p>The first beam of the first system (Beam A1) shall indicate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> vii. <i>Beam ID Number</i> is set to 1. viii. <i>Emission Parameter Index</i> is set to <Beam A1 index>. ix. The fundamental parameter data is set to <Beam A1 data>. <p>The second beam of the first system (Beam A2) shall indicate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> vii. <i>Beam ID Number</i> is set to 2. viii. <i>Emission Parameter Index</i> is set to <Beam A2 index>. ix. The fundamental parameter data is set to <Beam A2 data>. <p>The second system (System B) shall indicate:</p>	All three beams are rendered [1, 2].	R

ID	E	C	Test Input (NIC)	Expected Output (HMI)	P
			vii. <i>Acoustic Name</i> is set to <System B name>. viii. <i>Acoustic Function</i> is set to <System B function>. ix. <i>Acoustic ID Number</i> is set to 2. The first beam of the second system (Beam B1) shall indicate: vii. <i>Beam ID Number</i> is set to 1. viii. <i>Emission Parameter Index</i> is set to <Beam B1 index>. ix. The fundamental parameter data is set to <Beam B1 data>.		
R-6.1.7	M	X	Deactivate Beam A1. Wait three minutes.	Beam A1 is no longer rendered [1, 2].	R
R-6.1.8	M	X	Deactivate Beam A2, resulting in <i>Number of Beams</i> being set to zero for System A. Wait three minutes.	Beam A2 is no longer rendered [1, 2].	R

C.6.2 Underwater Acoustic PDU – Timeout

This test demonstrates UAPDU timeout processing.

ID	E	C	Test Input (NIC)	Expected Output (HMI)	P
R-6.2.1	M	X	Create test entity within sensor range of the ownship.	N/A	-
R-6.2.2	M	X	Assign the test entity a fixed speed and wait three minutes.	Shaft rates are rendered [1, 2].	R
R-6.2.3	M	X	Apply test R-6.1.5 input.	All three beams are rendered [1, 2].	R
R-6.2.4	M	X	Deactivate both emission systems and wait 432 seconds. i. No longer send UAPDUs.	No shafts or beams are rendered [interpretation].	D

References

1. Additional passive activity records are not tested

References

1. IEEE 1278.1, section 4.5.6.4.3, Receipt of the UA PDU
2. IEEE 1278.1, section 4.5.6.4.4, UA emission regeneration

C.7. Radio Communications Family

C.7.1 Radio Communications Family - Standard Tests

This test demonstrates receipt of radio communications.

ID	E	C	Test Input (NIC)	Expected Output (HMI)	P
R-7.1.1	M	T,C	Configure the simulator to transmit/receive radio communications. 1. <i>Frequency</i> is set to 8.125 MHz. 2. <i>Major Modulation</i> is set to 'Angular'. 3. <i>Detail Modulation</i> is set to 'AM'. 4. <i>Crypto System</i> is set to 'KY-28'. 5. <i>Crypto Key ID</i> is set to 'base band encryption' and 32767 (11111111111111b). 6. <i>Encoding Scheme</i> is set to 'Encoded audio' and '8-bit mu-law'. 7. <i>Sample Rate</i> is set to 8 kHz.	N/A	-
R-7.1.2	M	X	Configure the test equipment to transmit/receive radio communications. 1. <i>Frequency</i> is set to 8.125 MHz. 2. <i>Major Modulation</i> is set to 'Angular'. 3. <i>Detail Modulation</i> is set to 'AM'. 4. <i>Crypto System</i> is set to 'KY-28'. 5. <i>Crypto Key ID</i> is set to 'base band encryption' and 32767 (11111111111111b). 6. <i>Encoding Scheme</i> is set to 'Encoded audio' and '8-bit mu-law'. 7. <i>Sample Rate</i> is set to 8 kHz.	N/A	-
R-7.1.3	M	T,C	Create the ownship, set the receiver to plain audio mode.	N/A	-
R-7.1.4	M	X	Create test entity A within radio range of the ownship. Create test entity B at the fringe of the ownship's radio range. Create test entity C outside radio range of the ownship.	N/A	-
R-7.1.5	M	X	Transmit plain audio from test entity A.	Audio is received by the ownship [1].	R

ID	E	C	Test Input (NIC)	Expected Output (HMI)	P
			i. <i>Antenna Location</i> is set to the test entity location.		
R-7.1.6	M	X	Transmit plain audio from test entity A. i. <i>Antenna Location</i> is set to (0, 0, 0).	Audio is received by the ownship [1].	R
R-7.1.7	M	X	Transmit plain audio from test entity A, where all padding field bits are set to 1.	Audio is received by the ownship [1].	R
R-7.1.8	M	X	Transmit plain audio, where the transmission is not associated with an entity in the exercise.	Audio is received by the ownship [1].	R
R-7.1.9	M	X	Transmit plain audio from test entity B.	Audio is distorted or not received by the ownship, [1].	R
R-7.1.10	M	X	Transmit plain audio from test entity C.	Audio is not received by the ownship, due to the transmitter being out of range of the receiver [1]. If audio is received by the ownship, record “simulator does not model propagation effects” in the test log.	D
R-7.1.11	M	X	Transmit secure audio from test entity A. Leave the ownship receiver in plain mode.	Audio is not received by the ownship [1]. If audio is received by the ownship, record “simulator renders secure audio in plain mode” in the test log.	D
R-7.1.12	M	T	Set the ownship receiver to secure audio mode.	N/A	-
R-7.1.13	M	X	Transmit secure audio from test entity A. i. <i>Antenna Location</i> is set to the test entity location.	Audio is received by the ownship [1].	R
R-7.1.14	M	X	Transmit secure audio from test entity A i. <i>Antenna Location</i> is set to (0, 0, 0).	Audio is received by the ownship [1].	R
R-7.1.15	M	X	Transmit secure audio from test entity B.	Audio is distorted or not received by the ownship [1].	R
R-7.1.16	M	X	Transmit secure audio from test entity C.	Audio is not received by ownship [1].	R
R-7.1.17	M	X	Transmit plain audio from test entity A.	N/A If audio is received by the ownship, record “simulator renders plain audio when operating in secure mode” in the test log.	-
R-7.1.18	M	X	Modify the test equipment configuration. 1. <i>Frequency</i> is set to 8.125 MHz + 1 Hz . 2. <i>Major Modulation</i> is set to ‘Angular’. 3. <i>Detail Modulation</i> is set to ‘AM’. Transmit plain audio from entity A.	Audio is received by the ownship [1]. If no audio is received by the ownship, record “simulator requires exact centre frequency match” in the test log.	R

ID	E	C	Test Input (NIC)	Expected Output (HMI)	P
R-7.1.19	M	X	Modify the test equipment configuration. 4. <i>Frequency</i> is set to 8.126 MHz + 25 kHz . 5. <i>Major Modulation</i> is set to 'Angular'. 6. <i>Detail Modulation</i> is set to 'AM'. Transmit plain audio from entity A.	Audio is distorted or not received by the ownship [1].	R
Repeat	-	-	Repeat test using FM modulation at 240.125 MHz.	N/A	-
Repeat	-	-	Repeat test using BFTT modulation at 240.125 MHz.	N/A	-

C.7.2 Radio Communications Family – Pseudo Encryption Capability

This test further demonstrates receipt of pseudo encrypted radio communications.

ID	E	C	Test Input (NIC)	Expected Output (HMI)	P
R-7.2.1	M	X	Repeat test R-7.1.1 through R-7.1.4 input	N/A	-
R-7.2.2	M	X	Modify the test equipment configuration. 1. <i>Frequency</i> is set to 8.125 MHz. 2. <i>Major Modulation</i> is set to 'Angular'. 3. <i>Detail Modulation</i> is set to 'AM'. 4. <i>Crypto System</i> is set to 'KY-28'. 5. <i>Crypto Key ID</i> is set to 'base band encryption' and 21845 (101010101010101b). Transmit secure audio from test entity A.	Audio is not received, due to the <i>Crypto Key ID</i> not matching that expected by the ownship receiver [2]. If audio is received by the ownship, record "simulator ignores <i>Crypto Key ID</i> value" in the test log.	D
R-7.2.3	M	X	Modify the test equipment configuration. 1. <i>Frequency</i> is set to 8.125 MHz. 2. <i>Major Modulation</i> is set to 'Angular'. 3. <i>Detail Modulation</i> is set to 'AM'. 4. <i>Crypto System</i> is set to ' KY-58 '. 5. <i>Crypto Key ID</i> is set to 'base band encryption' and 32767 (111111111111111b). Transmit secure audio from test entity A.	Audio is not received, due to the <i>Crypto System</i> not matching that expected by the ownship receiver [2]. If audio is received by the ownship, record "simulator ignores <i>Crypto System</i> value" in the test log.	D
R-7.2.4	M	X	Modify the test equipment configuration. 1. <i>Frequency</i> is set to 8.125 MHz. 2. <i>Major Modulation</i> is set to 'Angular'. 3. <i>Detail Modulation</i> is set to 'AM'.	Audio is not received, due to the <i>Crypto System</i> not matching that expected by the ownship receiver [2]. If audio is received by the ownship, record "simulator renders	D

ID	E	C	Test Input (NIC)	Expected Output (HMI)	P
			4. <i>Crypto System</i> is set to 'Other'. 5. <i>Crypto Key ID</i> is set to 'base band encryption' and 32767 (11111111111111b). Transmit secure audio from test entity A.	'Other' <i>Crypto System</i> value" in the test log.	
R-7.2.5	M	X	Modify the test equipment configuration. 1. <i>Frequency</i> is set to 8.125 MHz. 2. <i>Major Modulation</i> is set to 'Angular'. 3. <i>Detail Modulation</i> is set to 'AM'. 4. <i>Crypto System</i> is set to 127 (a non-standard value). 5. <i>Crypto Key ID</i> is set to 'base band encryption' and 32767 (11111111111111b). Transmit secure audio from test entity A.	Audio is not received, due to the <i>Crypto System</i> not matching that expected by the ownship receiver [2]. If audio is received by the ownship, record "simulator renders non-standard <i>Crypto System</i> value" in the test log.	D

C.7.3 Radio Communications Family - Modulation Tests

ID	E	C	Test Input (NIC)	Expected Output (HMI)	P
R-7.3.1	M	X	Repeat test R-7.1.1 through R-7.1.4 input	N/A	-
R-7.3.2	M	X	Modify the test equipment configuration to transmit/receive communications. 1. <i>Frequency</i> is set to 8.125 MHz . 2. <i>Major Modulation</i> is set to 2 . 3. <i>Detail Modulation</i> is set to 2 . Transmit plain audio from test entity A.	Audio is distorted or not received, due to <i>Major Modulation</i> and <i>Minor Modulation</i> not matching the values entered into the simulators configuration [1]. If audio is received by the ownship, record "simulator ignores <i>Major Modulation</i> and <i>Detail Modulation</i> fields" in the test log.	R

References

1. IEEE 1278.1, section 4.5.7.2.3, Receipt of the Transmitter PDU
2. IEEE 1278.1, section 4.5.7.2.1, Information contained in the Transmitter PDU

C.8. Stop/Freeze and Start/Resume PDUs

ID	E	C	Test Input (NIC)	Expected Output (HMI, Protocol)	P
R-8.1	M	T,C	Create the ownship and three additional entities within the vicinity of the ownship.	N/A	-
R-8.2	M	X	Send a Stop/Freeze PDU. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Receiving Entity ID</i> is set to 65535:65535:65535 (all entities). <i>Real-world Time</i> is set to current time plus 30 seconds. <i>Reason</i> is set to 'Other'. <i>Frozen Behaviour</i> is set 'Stop'. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> The simulation stops within 30 seconds [1]. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> For each entity generated by the simulator, a final ESPDU is sent with the <i>Frozen Status</i> bit of the <i>Appearance</i> field is set to 'Frozen', and the <i>State</i> bit is set to 'Activated'. The simulator responds with an Acknowledge PDU [1]: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The site and host components of <i>Originating Entity ID</i> correspond to the simulator [2]. <i>Receiving Entity ID</i> is set to the <i>Originating Entity ID</i> reported in the Stop/Freeze PDU [2]. The <i>Acknowledge Flag</i> is set to 'Stop/Freeze' [2]. The <i>Response Flag</i> value is defined in SISO-EBV section 7.3.2. The <i>Request ID</i> value equals that reported in the Stop/Freeze PDU [3]. 	R
R-8.3	M	X	Send a Start/Resume PDU. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Receiving Entity ID</i> is set to 65535:65535:65535 (all entities). <i>Real-world Time</i> is set to current time plus 30 seconds. <i>Simulation Time</i> is set to current time plus 30 seconds. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> The simulation resumes within 30 seconds [4]. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The <i>Frozen Status</i> bit of <i>Appearance</i> is set to 'Not Frozen', and the <i>State</i> bit is set to 'Activated'. The simulator responds with an Acknowledge PDU [4]: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The site and host components of <i>Originating Entity ID</i> correspond to the simulator. <i>Receiving Entity ID</i> is set to the <i>Originating Entity ID</i> reported in the Stop/Freeze PDU. The <i>Acknowledge Flag</i> is set to 'Start/Resume' [2]. The <i>Response Flag</i> value is defined in SISO-EBV section 7.3.2 [2]. The <i>Request ID</i> value equals that reported in the Start/Resume PDU [3]. 	R
R-8.4	M	X	Apply R-8.2 test input, with <i>Frozen Behaviour</i> is set 'Offline'.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> The simulation stops within 30 seconds [1]. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> For each entity generated by the simulator, a final 	R

ID	E	C	Test Input (NIC)	Expected Output (HMI, Protocol)	P
				<p>ESPDUs is sent with the <i>State</i> bit of <i>Appearance</i> set to 'Deactivated'.</p> <p>b. The simulator responds with an Acknowledge PDU [1]:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. The site and host components of <i>Originating Entity ID</i> correspond to the simulator [2]. ii. <i>Receiving Entity ID</i> is set to the <i>Originating Entity ID</i> reported in the Stop/Freeze PDU [2]. iii. The <i>Acknowledge Flag</i> is set to 'Stop/Freeze' [2]. iv. The <i>Response Flag</i> value is defined in SISO-EBV section 7.3.2 [2]. v. The <i>Request ID</i> value equals that reported in the Stop/Freeze PDU [3]. 	
R-8.5	M	X	Apply R-8.3 test input.	Apply R-8.3 expected output.	-
Repeat	-	-	Repeat test, with <i>Receiving Entity ID</i> to 0:0:0	N/A	-
Repeat	-	-	Repeat test, with <i>Receiving Entity ID</i> to SITE:HOST:65535	N/A	-
Repeat	-	-	Repeat test, with <i>Receiving Entity ID</i> to SITE:HOST:0	N/A	-

References

1. IEEE 1278.1, section 4.5.5.4.4.4, Receipt of the Stop/Freeze PDU
2. IEEE 1278.1, section 5.3.6.5, Acknowledge PDU
3. IEEE 1278.1, section 4.5.5.4.5.1, Information contained in the Acknowledge PDU
4. IEEE 1278.1, section 4.5.5.4.3.3 Receipt of the Start/Resume PDU

C.9. Set Data, Comment and Other PDUs

This test demonstrates graceful handling of Set Data, Command and other standard or non-standard PDUs.

ID	E	C	Test Input (NIC)	Expected Output (HMI)	P
R-9.0	S	-	(any)	Simulator exhibits no adverse behaviour.	R
R-9.1	M	X	Send Set Data and Comment PDUs: i. <i>Receiving Entity ID</i> is set to 65535:65535:65535.	N/A	-
R-9.1.	M		Send Set Data and Comment PDUs: i. <i>Receiving Entity ID</i> is set to 0:0:0.	N/A	-
R-9.2	M	X	Generate all standard PDUs.	N/A	-
R-9.3	M	X	Generate PDUs with valid headers, but containing otherwise random data, for PDU types 129 through 255.	N/A	-

C.10. Stress Test

This test measures performance degradation whilst the simulator processes a large number of remote entities. Degradation is calculated by monitoring ownship heartbeat interval and the responsiveness of the trainer, instructor and control station HMIs.

ID	E	C	Test Input (NIC)	Expected Output (HMI)	P
R-10.0	S	-	(any)	a. ESPDUs are describing the ownship and scenario role-player entities are sent at a constant heartbeat interval. b. The trainer, instructor and control station HMIs are responsive.	R
R-10.1	M	T,C	Create the ownship entity and manoeuvre it into a stationary or constant velocity state.	N/A	-
R-10.2	M	I	Create one scenario role-player entity and manoeuvre it into a stationary or constant velocity state.	N/A	-
R-10.3	M	X	Generate 250 entities within the test area, where each moves in a circular pattern and each is assigned electromagnetic and acoustic emissions, and IFF.	a. All 250 entities are rendered. If the simulator imposes a limit on the number of entities received, record this limit in the test log.	R
R-10.4	M	X	Playback a log file recording from a prior training exercise.	a. All entities are rendered.	R

Appendix D: Experimental Protocol Data Unit Types

Table D1: List of known non-standard PDU types

PDU Type #	Product	Purpose Description
200	MÄK Logger/Stealth	NPCollision
201	MÄK Logger/Stealth	NPField
202	MÄK Logger/Stealth	ViewControl
203	MÄK Logger/Stealth	MOPMigrator
204	MÄK Logger/Stealth	NPSurfaceContact
205	MÄK Logger/Stealth	LgrControl
206	MÄK Logger/Stealth	RelativeLocation
207	MÄK Logger/Stealth	PvdViewControl
220	RAN FFGUP	Underwater Environment
221	RAN FFGUP	Chaff
230	USN BFTT	Surface Ship System Status (*)
231	USN BFTT	Chaff
232	USN BFTT	Environmental
233	USN BFTT	Jammer Data
234	USN BFTT	Beacon
235	USN BFTT	Supplemental Electromagnetic Emission
236	USN BFTT	Multi-phase Electromagnetic Emission
238	USN BFTT	Supplemental IFF (proposed)
240	RAN FFGUP	Trainer Status (*)
241	RAN FFGUP	Fused Track
242	RAN FFGUP	Electromagnetic Emission (*)
243	RAN FFGUP	ES Electromagnetic Emission
244	RAN FFGUP	Link IU Entity (*)

* PDU type is intended for the simulator's internal simulation network only, and not for exchange with other training simulators.

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